

Library Services and Technology Act (LSTA) Projects

2005 – 2006

The Library Services and Technology Act (LSTA) is the only Federal program solely devoted to supporting library services in libraries of all types. Congress and the President authorize its existence and allocate funds annually for its operation. Within the two broad goals of technological improvements and services to people of diverse cultures and situations, local libraries can identify and support the highest priorities for each community.

The Act is administered by the Institute of Museum and Library Services (<http://www.ims.gov/>) in Washington D.C. The Institute makes awards to libraries for the development of library services and to individual Indian tribes and their libraries for special purposes.

This list identifies LSTA grant awards in California for FY 2005/06. It is arranged by Congressional District because Federal funds support these grants. If you are unsure of which District your library is in, use this Web site <http://www.house.gov/> to enter a Zip code and identify the corresponding District. You may also want to share information about your project with the people who made it possible. Contact information for U.S. Senators is available at: http://www.senate.gov/general/contact_information/senators_cfm.cfm

SUMMARY OF LSTA GRANTS – 2005/06

CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT 1 2005/06

Del Norte County Public Library: Reach Out and Read	\$3,000
Napa City-County Library: Reach Out and Read	\$7,600

The libraries are working through pediatricians, medical clinics, and hospitals to encourage parents to read aloud to small children. This project enhances parents' role as their child's first teacher and nurtures their child's early literacy and language acquisition. It enables parents to prepare their children to start school, ready to read.

California State University, Humboldt: Local History Digital Resources	\$14,185
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The library is digitizing 200 maps and architectural drawings from a special collection documenting the history of the lumber industry in northwestern California from the 1800s to the 1980s. This local history will now be widely accessible to the public through the Internet, where the University of California hosts the California Digital Library.

Indian tribes in California are using LSTA funds to support core library operations and ensure a basic level of public library service. Tribes providing library services through the **Native American Library Services** program include:

Bear River Band of Rohnerville Rancheria (Loleta)
Big Valley Band of Pomo Indians (Lakeport)
Coyote Valley Band of Pomo Indians (Redwood Valley)
Elk Valley Rancheria (Crescent City)
Guidiville Rancheria (Talmage)
Hoopa Valley Tribe (Hoopa)
Hopland Band of Pomo Indians (Hopland)
Pinoleville Rancheria of Pomo Indians (Ukiah)
Redwood Valley Rancheria of Pomo Indians (Redwood Valley)
Robinson Rancheria of Pomo Indians (Nice)
Sherwood Valley Rancheria of Pomo Indians (Willits)
Table Bluff Reservation – Wiyot Tribe (Loleta)
Yurok Tribe (Klamath)

Del Norte County Public Library: AmeriCorps Initiative	\$4,282
Woodland Public Library: AmeriCorps Initiative	\$4,282

The libraries are participating in a statewide Corporation for National and Community Service award that provides AmeriCorps members to assist them with their literacy programs. AmeriCorps members are successfully recruiting literacy volunteers and learners, developing and executing community "Days of Service" to expand awareness of

literacy issues, and providing tutoring and other related activities in support of the literacy programs. A small amount of LSTA funding, complemented by local funds, supports training and communications costs that would not otherwise be covered.

The **Public Library Staff Education Program**, a California program that complements the Federal provision for the 21st Century Librarian Initiative, provides tuition reimbursement for California public library staff and county law library staff to upgrade their skills by pursuing a Master's degree in library science. As the number of professionally-trained librarians dwindles, the program provides improved services immediately by upgrading the skills of currently-employed library staff members while making provision for the future. Staff members in local libraries benefiting from this program include:

Napa City-County Library	\$10,623
Sonoma County Library	\$2,881
Sonoma County Public Law Library	\$1,980
Yolo County Library	\$1,980

CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT 2 2005/06

Sutter County Library: Local History Digital Resources **\$14,185**

Two hundred photographs from the library's Shades of Sutter special collection, which was formed by area residents who brought in old family photographs, are being targeted for this local history digitization project. The photographs show Sutter County's agricultural past; examples of Sutter County life; family life in a migrant work camp; levees and floods; historical buildings and street scenes; and cultural diversity. The time period covered for these photographs is the past 100 years of Sutter County's history, and they will be widely accessible to the public over the Internet.

Butte County Library: Partners and Learning **\$77,749**

The library is targeting "at-risk" elementary school children in low-literacy, high poverty areas in Oroville and providing literacy-based services to help these children succeed in school.

Plumas County Library: Community Connections **\$40,412**

The library is providing a series of interactive English-Language videoconferences linking audiences in Plumas County Library, Imperial County Free Library - Heber Branch, and National City Public Library to educational and/or cultural programming. Examples include museum programs, science center programs, virtual field trips, guided virtual tours of museums, and others. The targeted audience includes people who are illiterate, people who speak English as a second language, and the general public.

Sutter County Library: Reach Out and Read **\$7,600**

The library is working through pediatricians, medical clinics, and hospitals to encourage parents to read aloud to small children. This project enhances parents' role as their child's first teacher and nurtures their child's early literacy and language acquisition. It enables parents to prepare their children to start school, ready to read.

Yuba County Library: Local History Digital Resources **\$14,185**

The library is digitizing 200 of the "best quality and most rare" of the 3,500 historical photographs in its California Room. Many of these photographs date back to the mid 1800s and include biographical photographs (John Sutter, Mary Murphy [Donner Party survivor], Black Bart, et. al.); architectural phases (including Julia Morgan; ethnic heritage; downtown Marysville trolley; and the logging industry. This local history will now be widely accessible to the public through the Internet, where the University of California hosts the California Digital Library.

Butte County Library: Services for Small Businesses	\$8,506
Colusa County Library: Services for Small Businesses	\$8,506
Shasta County Library: Services for Small Businesses	\$8,506
Sutter County Library: Services for Small Businesses	\$8,506
Yuba County Library: Services for Small Businesses	\$8,506

These libraries did excellent work with their grants last year to better serve small businesses, and these new grants support the continuation of their business subscription databases. In one of the more unique approaches, Colusa County Library contracted with the county's One-Stop Center to provide Spanish language translators through speakerphones and three-way conference calls. The trial was so successful for local Spanish-speaking business owners that the Center is continuing the service as part of its regular program. In Shasta County alone, the percentage of owners who reported that the library had directly benefited their small businesses more than doubled during the course of the first grant year.

Indian tribes in California are using LSTA funds to support core library operations and ensure a basic level of public library service. Tribes providing library services through the **Native American Library Services** program include the **Karuk Tribe of California (Happy Camp)** and **Mechoopda Indian Tribe of Chico Rancheria (Chico)**.

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CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT 3 2005/06

Sacramento Public Library: Services for Small Businesses \$8,506

The Rancho Cordova branch of the library did excellent work with its grant last year to better serve small businesses, and this grant supports the continuation of the business subscription databases. The percentage of owners who reported that the library had directly benefited their small businesses more than doubled during the course of the grant year. The library also created a customer management software product, centrally housed on the library's Web site, that enables local small businesses to expedite their accounting procedures and manage their customer base, faxing or e-mailing product announcements, newsletters, etc. to them.

Through the **Live Homework Help** program, students (grades 4-12 and introductory college level students) receive online access to expert tutors for 20-minute, one-on-one homework help sessions in the basic subjects of math, science, English, and social sciences. The service is available through public libraries from 1:00 to 10:00 each day, seven days a week. Tutoring in Spanish is also available in math and science from 3:00 – 7:00 five days a week. Participating libraries include all the branches of **Sacramento Public Library** (8 are located in your District: **Arden Branch Library**, **Carmichael Regional Library**, **Elk Grove Branch Library**, **Fair Oaks/Orangevale Community Library**, **Marian O. Lawrence Branch Library** in Galt, **Rancho Cordova Community Library**, **Rio Linda Branch Library**, and **Sylvan Oaks Community Library** in Citrus Heights) and **Solano County Library** (one branch is located in your District: **Rio Vista Branch Library**). They provide in-library access as well as remote access from local homes.

Solano County Library: California Cultural Crossroads \$7,500

Under this initiative, public libraries are building community coalitions and partnerships to sponsor ethnic cultural programming for a specific underserved ethnic/cultural group in the local jurisdiction. Teams from each community – including Solano County - are receiving intensive training and guidance for the development of these plans, which will be implemented in 2006/07 with follow-up grants.

Sacramento Public Library: California Public Library Organization **\$75,335**

This project updates the 1994 publication "Public Library Organization in California" with current data and policy issues and the 1996 study on library referenda with current data; a database will be created. These studies will be made available in print and online for the use of California policymakers and trustees statewide.

Solano County Library: Meeting the Homework and Research Needs of Young Adults **\$144,608**

The library is developing a homework assistance program for young adults (ages 12 –21), emphasizing hands-on computer literacy training classes, an enhanced Web page with links to licensed databases, research, homework help sites, and access to online homework tutors.

Sacramento Public Library: Reach Out and Read **\$9,000**
Solano County Library: Reach Out and Read **\$9,000**

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CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT 4
2005/06

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Plumas County Library: Community Connections **\$40,412**

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Butte County Library: Services for Small Businesses **\$8,506**

Modoc County Library: Services for Small Businesses **\$8,506**

The libraries did excellent work with their grants last year to better serve small businesses, and these new grants support the continuation of their business subscription databases. The business seminars in Butte County were well received, particularly those dealing with starting a small business. In Modoc County, the percentage of owners who reported that the library directly benefited their small businesses almost doubled over the course of the first grant year.

Sacramento Public Library: California Public Library Organization **\$75,335**

This project updates the 1994 publication "Public Library Organization in California" with current data and policy issues and the 1996 study on library referenda with current data; a database will be created. These studies will be made available in print and online for the use of California policymakers and trustees statewide.

Butte County Library: AmeriCorps Initiative **\$4,282**

Nevada County Library: AmeriCorps Initiative **\$4,282**

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sciences. The service is available through public libraries from 1:00 to 10:00 each day, seven days a week. Tutoring in Spanish is also available in math and science from 3:00 – 7:00 five days a week. Participating libraries include all the branches of **Sacramento Public Library**, one of which is located in your District: **Orangevale Branch Library**. The libraries provide in-house access as well as remote access from local homes.

Plumas County Library: Mobile Technology for Rural Access to Technology Training **\$105,964**

The library is creating a mobile wireless network that will be set up once a week in the Plumas County libraries (Quincy, Portola, Greenville, and Chester) to offer instructional courses in using computers along with special topics classes. The main purpose of these classes is to help Plumas County residents obtain jobs and/or job promotions, and to have the necessary skills to use the library's online catalog and public access computers.

Sacramento Public Library: Reach Out and Read **\$9,000**

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CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT 5
2005/06

Sacramento Public Library: Services for Small Businesses **\$8,506**

The library did excellent work with its grant last year to better serve small businesses, and this grant supports the continuation of the business subscription databases. The percentage of owners who reported that the library had directly benefited their small businesses more than doubled during the course of the first grant year. The library also created a customer management software product, centrally housed on the library's Web site, that enables local small businesses to expedite their accounting procedures and manage their customer base, faxing or e-mailing product announcements, newsletters, etc. to them.

Through the **Live Homework Help** program, students (grades 4-12 and introductory college level students) receive online access to expert tutors for 20-minute, one-on-one homework help sessions in the basic subjects of math, science, English, and social sciences. The service is available through public libraries from 1:00 to 10:00 each day, seven days a week. Tutoring in Spanish is also available in math and science from 3:00 – 7:00 five days a week. Participating libraries include all the branches of **Sacramento Public Library** (12 are located in your District: **Arcade Community Library, Belle Cooledge Branch Library, Central Library, Colonial Heights Branch Library, Del Paso Branch Library, Martin Luther King Regional Library, McClatchy Branch Library, McKinley Branch Library, North Highlands Branch Library, North Sacramento/Hagginwood Branch Library, South Natomas Branch Library, and Southgate Community Library**). They provide in-library access as well as remote access from local homes.

Sacramento Public Library: California Public Library Organization **\$75,335**

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Sacramento Public Library: Reach Out and Read **\$9,000**

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CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT 6 2005/06

Marin County Free Library: Local History Digital Resources **\$14,185**

The library is digitizing photographs from the its Dr. Leo Stanley and Kent Family Collections. Dr. Stanley was a surgeon who worked at San Quentin prison from 1913 to

1951. William Kent was a Congressman for Marin County from 1910 to 1912 who came from an affluent family committed to philanthropy and conservation. This local history will now be widely accessible to the public through the Internet, where the University of California hosts the California Digital Library.

Indian tribes in California are using LSTA funds to support core library operations and ensure a basic level of public library service. Tribes providing library services through the **Native American Library Services** program include the **Federated Indians of Graton Rancheria (Santa Rosa)** and the **Kashia Band of Pomo Indians of the Stewarts Point Rancheria (Santa Rosa)**.

Mill Valley Public Library: Local History Digital Resources **\$14,185**

Under this project, the library is digitizing photographs and maps of Mill Valley's history from 1850 to the present. Photographs selected for digitization include historic homes, schools, and commercial buildings; photographs of interest to third grade classes; growth of the town and its neighborhoods; historic events; portraits of important Mill Valley residents and early settlers; and aerial views showing Mill Valley's growth over the years. Widespread public access is assured through the placement of these materials on the Internet.

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Marin County Free Library	\$3,597
Mill Valley Public Library	\$5,953
Sonoma County Library	\$2,881
Sonoma County Public Law Library	\$1,980

CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT 7
2005/06

Contra Costa County Library: Building Information Literacy **\$20,202**

Contra Costa County librarians are providing training classes for middle school and high school teachers about accessing, selecting, and searching library electronic resources so that these teachers, in turn, can teach their students how to best use electronic resources.

Benicia Public Library: Services for Small Businesses**\$ 8,506**

The library did excellent work with its grant last year to better serve small businesses, and this grant supports the continuation of the business subscription databases. In one of many success stories, a local business owner wrote the library as follows: “I used the Internet to find a new manufacturer. I contacted them and now I represent them.” The percentage of business owners who reported that the library directly helped them grew by 21% during the course of the first grant year.

Through the **Live Homework Help** program, students (grades 4-12 and introductory college level students) receive online access to expert tutors for 20-minute, one-on-one homework help sessions in the basic subjects of math, science, English, and social sciences. The service is available through public libraries from 1:00 to 10:00 each day, seven days a week. Tutoring in Spanish is also available in math and science from 3:00 – 7:00 five days a week. Participating libraries include all the branches of **Solano County Library** (three are located in your District: **John F. Kennedy Library** and **Springtowne Library** in **Vallejo**, and **Vacaville Public Library**); they provide in-library access as well as remote access from local homes. In addition, all the branches of **Contra Costa County Library** (ten are located in your District: **Bay Point Library**, **Clayton Community Library**, **Concord Library**, **Crockett Library**, **El Sobrante Library**, **Martinez Library**, **Pinole Library**, **Pittsburg Library**, **Rodeo Library**, and **San Pablo Library**) are also providing remote access for local students from their homes.

Napa City-County Library: Reach Out and Read**\$7,600****Solano County Library: Reach Out and Read****\$9,000**

The libraries are working through pediatricians, medical clinics, and hospitals to encourage parents to read aloud to small children. This project enhances parents’ role as their child’s first teacher and nurtures their child’s early literacy and language acquisition. It enables parents to prepare their children to start school, ready to read.

Solano County Library: Meeting the Homework and Research Needs of Young Adults**\$144,608**

The library is developing a homework assistance program for young adults (ages 12 –21), emphasizing hands-on computer literacy training classes, an enhanced Web page with links to licensed databases, research, homework help sites, and access to online homework tutors.

Richmond Public Library: Local History Digital Resources**\$14,185**

The library is digitizing photographs from Richmond’s early establishment in the early 1900s and during World War II when Richmond contributed to the U.S. war effort via

shipbuilding. This local history will now be widely accessible to the public through the Internet, where the University of California hosts the California Digital Library.

Solano County Library: California Cultural Crossroads

\$7,500

Under this initiative, public libraries are building community coalitions and partnerships to sponsor ethnic cultural programming for a specific underserved ethnic/cultural group in the local jurisdiction. Teams from each community – including Solano County - are receiving intensive training and guidance for the development of these plans, which will be implemented in 2006/07 with follow-up grants.

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**CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT 8
2005/06**

The **San Francisco Public Library** is providing information services to the entire county 24 hours a day, 7 days a week through interactive, online assistance from reference librarians under the **AskNow** program. Students of all ages, and people with full-time jobs, especially appreciate the ability to obtain information when and where they need it.

San Francisco Public Library: Adult Learners Helping Learners

\$58,300

The library is working with San Mateo Public Library and South San Francisco Public Library to introduce a program in which new adult literacy learners share their tutoring experiences via a series of workshops with adult learners who have successfully completed the literacy program. These workshops are being held in each library for its local clientele before the individual adult learner is paired with his/her tutor. The workshop topics include developing study skills, time management, learning how to communicate with your tutor, understanding how people learn, and understanding how individual goals form the basis for the tutoring sessions.

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CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT 9

2005/06

Berkeley Public Library: AmeriCorps Initiative **\$4,282**

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Oakland Public Library: Local History Digital Resources **\$14,185**

Under this project, the library is digitizing items from its History Room that document the historical development of the East Bay. Three types of items are targeted for digitization: photographs and other historical images; secondary historical and primary literary works by Oakland authors; and documents relating to the geographic history of the Oakland area. Widespread public access is assured through the placement of these materials on the Internet.

Berkeley Public Library: Services for Small Businesses **\$8,506**

Under this grant, the business subscription databases begun during last year’s program were renewed. SCORE, an organization of retired CEOs who volunteer their time to provide free counseling to small business owners, held weekly consulting sessions in the Berkeley Public Library. This arrangement is also continuing.

Berkeley Public Library: Reach Out and Read **\$3,500**

Oakland Public Library: Reach Out and Read **\$9,000**

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Berkeley Public Library: Local History Digital Resources **\$14,185**

The library is digitizing images representing the wide range of its local history collection as well as the city’s diversity. The project is making rare photographs more accessible and encouraging local residents to donate historical objects for inclusion in the library’s

special collection. A side but major benefit is that digitizing these rare historical objects will protect and preserve the frail originals. This local history will now be widely accessible to the public through the Internet, where the University of California hosts the California Digital Library.

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CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT 10 2005/06

Solano County Library: Meeting the Homework and Research Needs of Young Adults **\$144,608**

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Central Library in Pleasant Hill, El Cerrito Library, Kensington Library, Lafayette Library, Moraga Library, Oakley Library, Orinda Library, Walnut Creek Library, and Ygnacio Library in Walnut Creek) are also providing remote access to the service for local students from their homes.

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CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT 11

2005/06

Lodi Public Library: Services for Small Businesses **\$8,506**

The library did excellent work with its grant last year to better serve small businesses, and this grant supports the continuation of the business subscription databases. The business seminars proved so popular that the library is also continuing them; positive reports of assistance from the library have also risen.

Through the **Live Homework Help** program, students (grades 4-12 and introductory college level students) receive online access to expert tutors for 20-minute, one-on-one homework help sessions in the basic subjects of math, science, English, and social sciences. The service is available through public libraries from 1:00 to 10:00 each day, seven days a week. Tutoring in Spanish is also available in math and science from 3:00 – 7:00 five days a week. Participating libraries include all the branches of **Contra Costa County Library** (three are located in your District: **Brentwood Library**, **Danville Library**, and **San Ramon Library**) and are providing remote access for local students from their homes.

Pleasanton Public Library: California Cultural Crossroads	\$7,500
Stockton-San Joaquin County Library: California Cultural Crossroads	\$7,500

Under this initiative, public libraries are building community coalitions and partnerships to sponsor ethnic cultural programming for a specific underserved ethnic/cultural group in the local jurisdiction. Teams from each community – including Pleasanton and San Joaquin County - are receiving intensive training and guidance for the development of these plans, which will be implemented in 2006/07 with follow-up grants.

Contra Costa County Library: Building Information Literacy	\$20,202
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Contra Costa County librarians are providing training classes for middle school and high school teachers about accessing, selecting, and searching library electronic resources so that these teachers, in turn, can teach their students how to best use electronic resources.

Lodi Public Library: AmeriCorps Initiative	\$4,282
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The library is participating in a statewide Corporation for National and Community Service award that provides AmeriCorps members to assist it with its literacy program. AmeriCorps members are successfully recruiting literacy volunteers and learners, developing and executing community “Days of Service” to expand awareness of literacy issues, and providing tutoring and other related activities in support of the literacy program. A small amount of LSTA funding, complemented by local funds, supports training and communications that would not otherwise be covered.

The **Public Library Staff Education Program**, a California program that complements the Federal provision for the 21st Century Librarian Initiative, provides tuition reimbursement for California public library staff and county law library staff to upgrade their skills by pursuing a Master’s degree in library science. As the number of professionally-trained librarians dwindles, the program provides improved services immediately by upgrading the skills of currently-employed library staff members while making provision for the future. Staff members in local libraries benefiting from this program include:

Alameda County Library	\$9,722
Contra Costa County Library	\$14,220
Lodi Public Library	\$2,881
Pleasanton Public Library	\$1,980
Santa Clara County Law Library	\$2,881
Santa Clara County Library	\$5,762
Stockton-San Joaquin County Public Library	\$3,412

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San Mateo Public Library: Services for Small Businesses	\$8,506
South San Francisco Public Library: Services for Small Businesses	\$8,506

These libraries did excellent work with their grants last year to better serve small businesses, and the new grants support the continuation of their business subscription databases. The success of the San Mateo program was such that it received \$3,000 from the city's Economic Development group to further expand its business collection; San Francisco's Small Business Development Center is negotiating with the library now to set up a satellite office there. In South San Francisco, the city's new emphasis on enforcing codes related to window displays prompted the library to present a business seminar on the topic—which the city officials asked them to repeat two more times.

South San Francisco Public Library: Reach Out and Read	\$8,600
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The library is working through pediatricians, medical clinics, and hospitals to encourage parents to read aloud to small children. This project enhances parents' role as their child's first teacher and nurtures their child's early literacy and language acquisition. It enables parents to prepare their children to start school, ready to read.

Through the **Live Homework Help** program, students (grades 4-12 and introductory college level students) receive online access to expert tutors for 20-minute, one-on-one homework help sessions in the basic subjects of math, science, English, and social sciences. The service is available through public libraries from 1:00 to 10:00 each day, seven days a week. Tutoring in Spanish is also available in math and science from 3:00 – 7:00 five days a week. Participating libraries include all the branches of **Burlingame Public Library** and **Daly City Public Library**. They provide in-library access as well as remote access for students from local homes.

South San Francisco Public Library: AmeriCorps Initiative	\$4,282
San Mateo County Library: AmeriCorps Initiative	\$4,282
Redwood City Public Library: AmeriCorps Initiative	\$4,282

The libraries are participating in a statewide Corporation for National and Community Service award that provides AmeriCorps members to assist them with their literacy

programs. AmeriCorps members are successfully recruiting literacy volunteers and learners, developing and executing community “Days of Service” to expand awareness of literacy issues, and providing tutoring and other related activities in support of the literacy programs. A small amount of LSTA funding, complemented by local funds, supports training and communications costs that would not otherwise be covered.

San Bruno Public Library: Local History Digital Resources **\$14,185**

The library is digitizing photographs of San Bruno from the early 1900s to 1950s. The photographs targeted for digitization focus on local landmarks, but they also include historically significant places such as Tanforan Park and early aviation history. Before being converted to a Japanese internment camp, Tanforan Park included a racetrack; Seabiscuit raced on this track. This local history will now be widely accessible to the public through the Internet, where the University of California hosts the California Digital Library.

Peninsula Library System (San Mateo): California Preservation Program **\$214,500**

Headquartered in San Mateo, this project provides preservation and disaster recovery workshops, site surveys, 24/7 toll-free emergency phone response and assistance, an online clearinghouse, and long-range preservation planning for libraries statewide.

San Francisco Public Library: Adult Learners Helping Learners **\$58,300**
San Mateo Public Library
South San Francisco Public Library

The three libraries are working together to introduce a program in which new adult literacy learners share their tutoring experiences via a series of workshops with adult learners who have successfully completed the literacy program. These workshops are being held in each library for its local clientele before the individual adult learner is paired with his/her tutor. The workshop topics include developing study skills, time management, learning how to communicate with your tutor, understanding how people learn, and understanding how individual goals form the basis for the tutoring sessions.

South San Francisco Public Library: Artists in the Middle **\$27,533**

A new summer and after-school program for low b income middle school students (grades 6 to 8) is underway in the library that provides cultural activities and instruction through a series of workshops. These workshops include comedy improvisation, poetry, Hip Hop dancing, magic, cartooning, and drama. Each workshop lasts 1-2 months each and also ties into the library collections as literature resources for the middle school students taking them.

San Mateo Public Library: Local History Digital Resources **\$14,185**

Photographs highlighting San Mateo's special relationship with the A Company of the United States Army's 101st Airborne Division (Screaming Eagles), which served during the Vietnam War, are being digitized by the library. Widespread public access is assured through the placement of these materials on the Internet.

The **Public Library Staff Education Program**, a California program that complements the Federal provision for the 21st Century Librarian Initiative, provides tuition reimbursement for California public library staff and county law library staff to upgrade their skills by pursuing a Master's degree in library science. As the number of professionally-trained librarians dwindles, the program provides improved services immediately by upgrading the skills of currently-employed library staff members while making provision for the future. Staff members in local libraries benefiting from this program include:

Burlingame Public Library	\$3,590
San Francisco Public Library	\$17,447
San Mateo County Library	\$3,412
San Mateo Public Library	\$2,881
South San Francisco Public Library	\$2,881

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The **Alameda County Library** and the **Hayward Public Library** are providing information services to their communities 24 hours a day, 7 days a week through interactive, online assistance from reference librarians under the **AskNow** program. Students of all ages, and people with full-time jobs, especially appreciate the ability to obtain information when and where they need it.

San Leandro Public Library: AmeriCorps Initiative **\$4,282**

The library is participating in a statewide Corporation for National and Community Service award that provides AmeriCorps members to assist it with its literacy program. AmeriCorps members are successfully recruiting literacy volunteers and learners, developing and executing community "Days of Service" to expand awareness of literacy issues, and providing tutoring and other related activities in support of the literacy program. A small amount of LSTA funding, complemented by local funds, supports training and communications that would not otherwise be covered.

The **Public Library Staff Education Program**, a California program that complements the Federal provision for the 21st Century Librarian Initiative, provides tuition reimbursement for California public library staff and county law library staff to upgrade their skills by pursuing a Master's degree in library science. As the number of professionally-trained librarians dwindles, the program provides improved services immediately by upgrading the skills of currently-employed library staff members while

making provision for the future. Staff members in local libraries benefiting from this program include:

Alameda County Library	\$9,722
Alameda Free Library	\$11,596
Hayward Public Library	\$1,891
San Leandro Public Library	\$2,881

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Menlo Park Public Library: Services for Small Businesses **\$8,506**

The library did excellent work with its grant last year to better serve small businesses, and this grant supports the continuation of the business subscription databases. In Menlo Park, the percentage of owners who reported that the library had directly benefited their small businesses during the first grant year alone rose to 30%.

The **Public Library Staff Education Program**, a California program that complements the Federal provision for the 21st Century Librarian Initiative, provides tuition reimbursement for California public library staff and county law library staff to upgrade their skills by pursuing a Master's degree in library science. As the number of professionally-trained librarians dwindles, the program provides improved services immediately by upgrading the skills of currently-employed library staff members while making provision for the future. Staff members in local libraries benefiting from this program include:

Menlo Park Public Library	\$1,980
Mountain View Public Library	\$3,597
San Mateo County Library	\$3,412
Santa Clara County Law Library	\$2,881
Santa Clara County Library	\$5,762
Santa Cruz Libraries	\$9,131

San Mateo County Library: AmeriCorps Initiative **\$4,282**
Redwood City Public Library: AmeriCorps Initiative **\$4,282**

The libraries are participating in a statewide Corporation for National and Community Service award that provides AmeriCorps members to assist them with their literacy programs. AmeriCorps members are successfully recruiting literacy volunteers and learners, developing and executing community "Days of Service" to expand awareness of literacy issues, and providing tutoring and other related activities in support of the literacy programs. A small amount of LSTA funding, complemented by local funds, supports training and communications costs that would not otherwise be covered.

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San Jose Public Library: Local History Digital Resources

\$14,185

The library is digitizing photographs from its California Room archives and the Clyde Arbuckle Collection between 1850 and 1950 that highlight the pre-Silicon Valley, agrarian period in San Jose's history. This local history will now be widely accessible to the public through the Internet, where the University of California hosts the California Digital Library.

Through the **Live Homework Help** program, students (grades 4-12 and introductory college level students) receive online access to expert tutors for 20-minute, one-on-one homework help sessions in the basic subjects of math, science, English, and social sciences. The service is available through public libraries from 1:00 to 10:00 each day, seven days a week. Tutoring in Spanish is also available in math and science from 3:00 – 7:00 five days a week. Participating libraries include all the branches of **San Jose Public Library** (five are located in your District: **Alviso Library**, **Calabazas Library**, **Cambrian Library**, **Educational Park Library**, and **West Valley Library**). They provide in-library access as well as remote access for students from local homes.

Santa Clara Public Library: AmeriCorps Initiative

\$4,282

The library is participating in a statewide Corporation for National and Community Service award that provides AmeriCorps members to assist it with its literacy program. Ameri Corps members are successfully recruiting literacy volunteers and learners, developing and executing community "Days of Service" to expand awareness of literacy issues, and providing tutoring and other related activities in support of the literacy program. A small amount of LSTA funding, complemented by local funds, supports training and communications that would not otherwise be covered.

San Jose Public Library: Reach Out and Read

\$9,000

The library is working through pediatricians, medical clinics, and hospitals to encourage parents to read aloud to small children. This project enhances parents' role as their child's first teacher and nurtures their child's early literacy and language acquisition. It enables parents to prepare their children to start school, ready to read.

The **Public Library Staff Education Program**, a California program that complements the Federal provision for the 21st Century Librarian Initiative, provides tuition reimbursement for California public library staff and county law library staff to upgrade their skills by pursuing a Master's degree in library science. As the number of professionally-trained librarians dwindles, the program provides improved services immediately by upgrading the skills of currently-employed library staff members while

making provision for the future. Staff members in local libraries benefiting from this program include **San Jose Public Library** (\$10,009), **Santa Clara County Law Library** (\$2,881), and **Santa Clara County Library** (\$5,762). In addition, **San Jose Public Library** received \$7,996 for staff to obtain enhanced management training; this involves a summer residency and online coursework throughout the year.

San Jose Public Library: California Cultural Crossroads **\$7,500**

Under this initiative, public libraries are building community coalitions and partnerships to sponsor ethnic cultural programming for a specific underserved ethnic/cultural group in the local jurisdiction. Teams from each community – including San Jose - are receiving intensive training and guidance for the development of these plans, which will be implemented in 2006/07 with follow-up grants.

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San Jose Public Library: Services for Small Businesses **\$8,506**

The library did excellent work with its grant last year to better serve small businesses, and this grant supports the continuation of the business subscription databases. SCORE counselors—retired CEOs who volunteer their time to advise business owners— also continue to staff the library’s consulting area on a regular basis.

Through the **Live Homework Help** program, students (grades 4-12 and introductory college level students) receive online access to expert tutors for 20-minute, one-on-one homework help sessions in the basic subjects of math, science, English, and social sciences. The service is available through public libraries from 1:00 to 10:00 each day, seven days a week. Tutoring in Spanish is also available in math and science from 3:00 – 7:00 five days a week. Participating libraries include all the branches of **San Jose Public Library** (thirteen are located in your District: **Almaden Library**, **Berryessa Library**, **Biblioteca Latino Americano**, **East San Jose Carnegie Library**, **Evergreen Branch Library**, **Hillview Library**, **Joyce Ellington Library**, **Pearl Avenue Library**, **Rosegarden Library**, **San Jose Main Library**, **Santa Teresa Library**, **Seventrees Library**, and **Willow Glen Branch Library**). They provide in-library access as well as remote access for students from local homes.

San Jose Public Library: Local History Digital Resources **\$14,185**

The library is digitizing photographs from its California Room archives and the Clyde Arbuckle Collection between 1850 and 1950 that highlight the pre-Silicon Valley, agrarian period in San Jose’s history. This local history will now be widely accessible to the public through the Internet, where the University of California hosts the California Digital Library.

San Jose Public Library: Reach Out and Read **\$9,000**

The library is working through pediatricians, medical clinics, and hospitals to encourage parents to read aloud to small children. This project enhances parents' role as their child's first teacher and nurtures their child's early literacy and language acquisition. It enables parents to prepare their children to start school, ready to read.

The **Public Library Staff Education Program**, a California program that complements the Federal provision for the 21st Century Librarian Initiative, provides tuition reimbursement for California public library staff and county law library staff to upgrade their skills by pursuing a Master's degree in library science. As the number of professionally-trained librarians dwindles, the program provides improved services immediately by upgrading the skills of currently-employed library staff members while making provision for the future. Staff members in local libraries benefiting from this program include **San Jose Public Library** (\$10,009), **Santa Clara County Law Library** (\$2,881), and **Santa Clara County Library** (\$5,762). In addition, **San Jose Public Library** received \$7,996 for staff to obtain enhanced management training; this involves a summer residency and online coursework throughout the year.

San Jose Public Library: California Cultural Crossroads **\$7,500**

Under this initiative, public libraries are building community coalitions and partnerships to sponsor ethnic cultural programming for a specific underserved ethnic/cultural group in the local jurisdiction. Teams from each community – including San Jose - are receiving intensive training and guidance for the development of these plans, which will be implemented in 2006/07 with follow-up grants.

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Monterey County Free Libraries: Services for Small Businesses	\$8,506
Pacific Grove Public Library: Services for Small Businesses	\$8,506
Watsonville Public Library: Services for Small Businesses	\$8,506

These libraries did excellent work with their grants last year to better serve small businesses, and these new grants support the continuation of their business subscription databases. The business seminars in Seaside, for example, were so popular that the library had waiting lists for the sessions. Pacific Grove's Rotary Club liked their new services and they asked the library to create and maintain a "wish list" for business resources, from which the Rotary will make purchases for the library collection on an ongoing basis.

Through the **Live Homework Help** program, students (grades 4-12 and introductory college level students) receive online access to expert tutors for 20-minute, one-on-one homework help sessions in the basic subjects of math, science, English, and social sciences. The service is available in libraries from 1:00 to 10:00 each day, seven days a

week. Tutoring in Spanish is also available in math and science from 3:00 – 7:00 five days a week. Participating libraries include all the branches of **San Benito County Free Library** and **Watsonville Public Library**.

The **Monterey County Free Libraries** system is providing information services to the entire county 24 hours a day, 7 days a week through interactive, online assistance from reference librarians under the **AskNow** program. Students of all ages, and people with full-time jobs, especially appreciate the ability to obtain information when and where they need it.

The **Public Library Staff Education Program**, a California program that complements the Federal provision for the 21st Century Librarian Initiative, provides tuition reimbursement for California public library staff and county law library staff to upgrade their skills by pursuing a Master's degree in library science. As the number of professionally-trained librarians dwindles, the program provides improved services immediately by upgrading the skills of currently-employed library staff members while making provision for the future. Staff members in local libraries benefiting from this program include **Monterey Public Library** (\$2,881) and **Santa Cruz Libraries** (\$9,131).

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Stockton-San Joaquin County Library: California Cultural Crossroads \$7,500

Under this initiative, public libraries are building community coalitions and partnerships to sponsor ethnic cultural programming for a specific underserved ethnic/cultural group in the local jurisdiction. Teams from each community – including San Joaquin County - are receiving intensive training and guidance for the development of these plans, which will be implemented in 2006/07 with follow-up grants.

California State University, Stanislaus: Local History Digital Resources \$14,185

The library is digitizing two sets of photographic images and one commemorative scrapbook from the university's special collection. The images focus on the early history of Turlock (founded in 1871) from the late 1800s to the 1930s as well as a more recent collection (Dias Photographic Collection covering 1939-1999) that focuses on Portuguese American immigrants. This local history will now be widely accessible to the public through the Internet, where the University of California hosts the California Digital Library.

Stanislaus County Library: AmeriCorps Initiative \$4,282

The library is participating in a statewide Corporation for National and Community Service award that provides AmeriCorps members to assist it with its literacy program. AmeriCorps members are successfully recruiting literacy volunteers and learners,

developing and executing community “Days of Service” to expand awareness of literacy issues, and providing tutoring and other related activities in support of the literacy program. A small amount of LSTA funding, complemented by local funds, supports training and communications that would not otherwise be covered.

The **Public Library Staff Education Program**, a California program that complements the Federal provision for the 21st Century Librarian Initiative, provides tuition reimbursement for California public library staff and county law library staff to upgrade their skills by pursuing a Master’s degree in library science. As the number of professionally-trained librarians dwindles, the program provides improved services immediately by upgrading the skills of currently-employed library staff members while making provision for the future. Staff members in local libraries benefiting from this program include **Stockton-San Joaquin County Public Library** (\$3,412).

CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT 19 2005/06

Mariposa County Library: Services for Small Businesses **\$8,506**

The library did excellent work with its grant last year to better serve small businesses, and this grant supports the continuation of the business subscription databases. During the first year, the library established a new business area that includes two computers exclusively reserved for business owners. The popular business seminars there had an unanticipated side benefit: the library’s workshop on ADA compliance helped it obtain an automated door for easier patron access.

California State University, Stanislaus: Local History Digital Resources **\$14,185**

The library is digitizing two sets of photographic images and one commemorative scrapbook from the university’s special collection. The images focus on the early history of Turlock (founded in 1871) from the late 1800s to the 1930s as well as a more recent collection (Dias Photographic Collection covering 1939-1999) that focuses on Portuguese American immigrants. This local history will now be widely accessible to the public through the Internet, where the University of California hosts the California Digital Library.

Indian tribes in California are using LSTA funds to support core library operations and ensure a basic level of public library service. Tribes providing library services through the **Native American Library Services** program include the **North Fork Rancheria (North Fork)** and the **Picayune Rancheria of Chukchansi Indians (Coursegold)**.

Through the **Live Homework Help** program, students (grades 4-12 and introductory college level students) receive online access to expert tutors for 20-minute, one-on-one homework help sessions in the basic subjects of math, science, English, and social sciences. The service is available through public libraries from 1:00 to 10:00 each day,

seven days a week. Tutoring in Spanish is also available in math and science from 3:00 – 7:00 five days a week. Participating libraries include all the branches of **Fresno County Public Library** (five are located in your District: **Fig Garden Regional Library**, **Gillis Neoghhorhood Library**, and **Politi Neoghhorhood Library** in Fresno; and **Kerman Neoghhorhood Library** and **Pinedale Neoghhorhood Library**). They provide in-library access as well as remote access for students from local homes.

Madera County Library: California Cultural Crossroads **\$7,500**

Under this initiative, public libraries are building community coalitions and partnerships to sponsor ethnic cultural programming for a specific underserved ethnic/cultural group in the local jurisdiction. Teams from each community – including Madera County - are receiving intensive training and guidance for the development of these plans, which will be implemented in 2006/07 with follow-up grants.

Stanislaus County Library: AmeriCorps Initiative **\$4,282**

The library is participating in a statewide Corporation for National and Community Service award that provides AmeriCorps members to assist it with its literacy program. AmeriCorps members are successfully recruiting literacy volunteers and learners, developing and executing community “Days of Service” to expand awareness of literacy issues, and providing tutoring and other related activities in support of the literacy program. A small amount of LSTA funding, complemented by local funds, supports training and communications that would not otherwise be covered.

The **Public Library Staff Education Program**, a California program that complements the Federal provision for the 21st Century Librarian Initiative, provides tuition reimbursement for California public library staff and county law library staff to upgrade their skills by pursuing a Master’s degree in library science. As the number of professionally-trained librarians dwindles, the program provides improved services immediately by upgrading the skills of currently-employed library staff members while making provision for the future. Staff members in local libraries benefiting from this program include **Fresno County Public Library** (\$1,419) and **Tuolumne County Library** (\$2,690).

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Kern County Library: Services for Small Businesses **\$8,506**

The library did excellent work with its grant last year to better serve small businesses, and this grant supports the continuation of the business subscription databases. Slightly over a third (36%) of the owners reported that their small businesses had directly benefited from the library during the course of the first grant year alone.

Through the **Live Homework Help** program, students (grades 4-12 and introductory college level students) receive online access to expert tutors for 20-minute, one-on-one homework help sessions in the basic subjects of math, science, English, and social sciences. The service is available through public libraries from 1:00 to 10:00 each day, seven days a week. Tutoring in Spanish is also available in math and science from 3:00 – 7:00 five days a week. Participating libraries include all the branches of **Fresno County Public Library** (twelve are located in your District: **Central Library, Ivy Center Neighborhood Library, and Mosqueda Neighborhood Library** in Fresno; and **Easton Neighborhood Library, Firebaugh Neighborhood Library, Fowler Neighborhood Library, Mendota Neighborhood Library, Parlier Neighborhood Library, San Joaquin Neighborhood Library, Sanger Branch Library, Selma Branch Library, and Tranquility Station**). They provide in-library access as well as remote access from local homes. In addition, all the branches of **Kern County Library** (eight are located in your District: **Arvin Branch Library, Buttonwillow Branch Library, Delano Branch Library, McFarland Branch Library, Shafter Branch Library, Wasco Branch Library, and Baker Branch Library** and **Holloway-Gonzales Library** in Bakersfield) are also providing remote access for local students from their homes.

Kern County Library: Local History Digital Resources

\$14,185

The library is digitizing photographs representing 100 years of Kern County's history. Photos selected for digitizing fall into one of the following categories: education and libraries, people, celebrations, natural disasters, health, industry, architecture, and transportation. This local history will now be widely accessible to the public through the Internet, where the University of California hosts the California Digital Library.

The **Public Library Staff Education Program**, a California program that complements the Federal provision for the 21st Century Librarian Initiative, provides tuition reimbursement for California public library staff and county law library staff to upgrade their skills by pursuing a Master's degree in library science. As the number of professionally-trained librarians dwindles, the program provides improved services immediately by upgrading the skills of currently-employed library staff members while making provision for the future. Staff members in local libraries benefiting from this program include **Fresno County Public Library** (\$1,419).

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The **Tulare County Free Library** is providing information services to the entire county 24 hours a day, 7 days a week through interactive, online assistance from reference librarians under the **AskNow** program. Students of all ages, and people with full-time jobs, especially appreciate the ability to obtain information when and where they need it.

Through the **Live Homework Help** program, students (grades 4-12 and introductory college level students) receive online access to expert tutors for 20-minute, one-on-one

homework help sessions in the basic subjects of math, science, English, and social sciences. The service is available through public libraries from 1:00 to 10:00 each day, seven days a week. Tutoring in Spanish is also available in math and science from 3:00 – 7:00 five days a week. Participating libraries include all the branches of **Fresno County Public Library** (fifteen are located in your District: **Cedar Clinton Neighborhood Library** and **Sunnyside Neighborhood Library** in Fresno; **Bear Mountain Station** in **Squaw Valley**; **Auberry Branch Library**, **Big Creek Station**, **Caruthers Neighborhood Library**, **Clovis Regional Library**, **Kingsburg Neighborhood Library**, **Laton Station**, **Miramonte Station**, **Orange Cove Neighborhood Library**, **Piedra Station**, **Reedley Branch Library**, **Riverdale Neighborhood Library**, and **Shaver Lake Station**). They provide in-library access as well as remote access for students from local homes.

The **Public Library Staff Education Program**, a California program that complements the Federal provision for the 21st Century Librarian Initiative, provides tuition reimbursement for California public library staff and county law library staff to upgrade their skills by pursuing a Master's degree in library science. As the number of professionally-trained librarians dwindles, the program provides improved services immediately by upgrading the skills of currently-employed library staff members while making provision for the future. Staff members in local libraries benefiting from this program include **Fresno County Public Library** (\$1,419) and **Tulare Public Library** (\$2,881).

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Kern County Library: Services for Small Businesses **\$8,506**

The library did excellent work with its grant last year to better serve small businesses, and this grant supports the continuation of the business subscription databases. Slightly over a third (36%) of the owners reported that their small businesses had been directly benefited by the library during the course of the first grant year alone.

Through the **Live Homework Help** program, students (grades 4-12 and introductory college level students) receive online access to expert tutors for 20-minute, one-on-one homework help sessions in the basic subjects of math, science, English, and social sciences. The service is available through public libraries from 1:00 to 10:00 each day, seven days a week. Tutoring in Spanish is also available in math and science from 3:00 – 7:00 five days a week. Participating libraries include all the branches of **Kern County Library** (fourteen are located in your District: **Beale Memorial Library**, **Eleanor N. Wilson Branch Library**, **Northeast Branch Library**, **Rathbun Branch Library**, and **Southwest Branch Library** in Bakersfield; **Kern River Valley Branch Library** in Lake Isabella; **Boron Branch Library**, **California City Branch Library**, **Kernville Branch Library**, **Mojave Branch Library**, **Ridgecrest Branch Library**, **Rosamond Branch Library**, **Taft Branch Library**, **Tehachapi Branch Library**, and **Wofford**

Heights Branch Library) and are providing remote access for local students from their homes.

Kern County Library: Local History Digital Resources

\$14,185

The library is digitizing photographs representing 100 years of Kern County's history. Photos selected for digitizing fall into one of the following categories: education and libraries, people, celebrations, natural disasters, health, industry, architecture, and transportation. This local history will now be widely accessible to the public through the Internet, where the University of California hosts the California Digital Library.

The **Public Library Staff Education Program**, a California program that complements the Federal provision for the 21st Century Librarian Initiative, provides tuition reimbursement for California public library staff and county law library staff to upgrade their skills by pursuing a Master's degree in library science. As the number of professionally-trained librarians dwindles, the program provides improved services immediately by upgrading the skills of currently-employed library staff members while making provision for the future. Staff members in local libraries benefiting from this program include **Paso Robles Public Library** (\$2,838) and **County of Los Angeles Public Library** (\$18,721).

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Santa Maria Public Library: Services for Small Businesses

\$8,506

The library did excellent work with its grant last year to better serve small businesses, and this grant supports the continuation of the business subscription databases. In Santa Maria, the percentage of business owners who knew about the library resources available to them jumped from 5% to 67% over the course of the first grant year; the percentage of owners who reported that the library had directly benefited their small businesses also increased dramatically.

Through the **Live Homework Help** program, students (grades 4-12 and introductory college level students) receive online access to expert tutors for 20-minute, one-on-one homework help sessions in the basic subjects of math, science, English, and social sciences. The service is available through public libraries from 1:00 to 10:00 each day, seven days a week. Tutoring in Spanish is also available in math and science from 3:00 – 7:00 five days a week. Participating libraries include all the branches of **Ventura County Library** (three are located in your District: **Avenue Library** in **Ventura**, **Soliz Library** in **Oxnard**, and **Ray D. Prueter-Port Hueneme Library**). They provide in-library access as well as remote access for students from local homes.

Santa Barbara Public Library: AmeriCorps Initiative	\$4,282
Ventura County Library: AmeriCorps Initiative	\$4,282

The libraries are participating in a statewide Corporation for National and Community Service award that provides AmeriCorps members to assist them with their literacy programs. AmeriCorps members are successfully recruiting literacy volunteers and learners, developing and executing community “Days of Service” to expand awareness of literacy issues, and providing tutoring and other related activities in support of the literacy programs. A small amount of LSTA funding, complemented by local funds, supports training and communications costs that would not otherwise be covered.

Oxnard Public Library: Services for Small Businesses	\$8,506
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Under this grant, the business subscription databases begun during last year’s program were continued. Last year, the Oxnard Public Library sponsored business seminars in English and Spanish; it created a Small Business Consulting Cubicle and received additional outside funds for a computer in it dedicated for the use of business owners and employees, which continues to be staffed by the Gold Coast Small Business Development Center. Most importantly, the library became a key partner in the city’s economic redevelopment initiative.

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Lompoc Public Library: Services for Small Businesses	\$8,506
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The library did excellent work with its grant last year to better serve small businesses, and this grant supports the continuation of the business subscription databases. Lompoc City Departmental staff participated in one of the library’s most popular business seminars, “How to Work with the City of Lompoc in Setting Up a Small Business,” and the library later received a Community Development Block Grant to expand its business collection after the close of the first grant year.

Through the **Live Homework Help** program, students (grades 4-12 and introductory college level students) receive online access to expert tutors for 20-minute, one-on-one homework help sessions in the basic subjects of math, science, English, and social sciences. The service is available through public libraries from 1:00 to 10:00 each day, seven days a week. Tutoring in Spanish is also available in math and science from 3:00 – 7:00 five days a week. Participating libraries include all the branches of **Ventura County Library** (thirteen are located in your District: **E.P. Foster Library** and **H.P. Wright Library** in Ventura; **Camarillo Library**, **Fillmore Library**, **Meiners Oak Library**, **Moorpark Library**, **Oak Park Library**, **Oak View Library**, **Ojai Library**, **Piru Library**, **Saticoy Library**, and **Simi Valley Library**). They provide in-library access as well as remote access for students from local homes.

Kern County Library: Local History Digital Resources **\$14,185**

The library is digitizing photographs representing 100 years of Kern County's history. Photos selected for digitizing fall into one of the following categories: education and libraries, people, celebrations, natural disasters, health, industry, architecture, and transportation. This local history will now be widely accessible to the public through the Internet, where the University of California hosts the California Digital Library.

Santa Barbara Public Library: AmeriCorps Initiative **\$4,282**

Ventura County Library: AmeriCorps Initiative **\$4,282**

The libraries are participating in a statewide Corporation for National and Community Service award that provides AmeriCorps members to assist them with their literacy programs. AmeriCorps members are successfully recruiting literacy volunteers and learners, developing and executing community "Days of Service" to expand awareness of literacy issues, and providing tutoring and other related activities in support of the literacy programs. A small amount of LSTA funding, complemented by local funds, supports training and communications costs that would not otherwise be covered.

Kern County Library: Services for Small Businesses **\$8,506**

Under this grant, the business subscription databases begun during last year's program were continued. Slightly over a third (36%) of the owners reported that their small businesses had been directly benefited by the library during the course of the first grant year alone.

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Los Angeles Public Library: First Source Virtual **\$361,350**

The library is expanding its online database subscriptions for all its branches to provide timely, reliable information for the people of Los Angeles. In addition, the benefits are statewide: the 15 regional information centers which handle queries beyond the capacity of local public libraries also receive access to the online subscriptions, so assuring that all Californians have the same level of service.

Under the **California Cultural Crossroads** initiative, public libraries are building community coalitions and partnerships to sponsor ethnic cultural programming for a specific underserved ethnic/cultural group in the local jurisdiction. Teams from each community are receiving intensive training and guidance for the development of these plans, which will be implemented in 2006/07 with follow-up grants. **San Bernardino County Library** is one of the seven participants in this program.

University of California, Los Angeles: California Center for the Book \$279,455

Housed in its library school, the University's Center for the Book project develops high-quality programs and resources to promote books and reading. It is estimated that 500 public libraries and schools statewide will use its services this year, reaching some 7,000 people. The primary focus now is book clubs.

Kern County Library: Services for Small Businesses \$8,506

Under this grant, the business subscription databases begun during last year's program were continued. Slightly over a third (36%) of the owners reported that their small businesses had been directly benefited by the library during the course of the first grant year alone.

Indian tribes in California are using LSTA funds to support core library operations and ensure a basic level of public library service. Tribes providing library services through the **Native American Library Services** program include the **Big Pine Band of Owens Valley Paiute Shoshone Indians (Big Pine)**, **Paiute Shoshone Indians of the Lone Pine Community (Lone Pine)**, and the **Paiute-Shoshone Indians of the Bishop Community (Bishop)**.

Inyo County Free Library: Linking Rural Inyo \$55,000

The county library has worked on collection inventory and related cataloging projects since 1998 and, now, will automate its work to create an online public access catalog.

Through the **Live Homework Help** program, students (grades 4-12 and introductory college level students) receive online access to expert tutors for 20-minute, one-on-one homework help sessions in the basic subjects of math, science, English, and social sciences. The service is available through public libraries from 1:00 to 10:00 each day, seven days a week. Tutoring in Spanish is also available in math and science from 3:00 – 7:00 five days a week. Participating libraries include all the branches of **San Bernardino County Library** (four are located in your District: **Adelanto Branch Library**, **Barstow Branch Library**, **Trona Branch Library**, and **Victorville Branch Library**). They provide in-library access as well as remote access for students from local homes.

Kern County Library: Local History Digital Resources \$14,185

The library is digitizing photographs representing 100 years of Kern County's history. Photos selected for digitizing fall into one of the following categories: education and libraries, people, celebrations, natural disasters, health, industry, architecture, and transportation. This local history will now be widely accessible to the public through the Internet, where the University of California hosts the California Digital Library.

Mono County Free Library: Services for Small Businesses**\$8,506**

The library did excellent work its their grant last year to better serve small businesses, and this grant supports the continuation of the business subscription databases. The business seminars in Mono County were very well received; the manager of a local grab-and-go eatery took techniques learned from the “Hiring and Retaining Great Employees” workshop and applied them the next day in job interviews. The percentage of owners who reported that the library had directly benefited their small businesses increased by 52% over the course of the first grant year.

The **Public Library Staff Education Program**, a California program that complements the Federal provision for the 21st Century Librarian Initiative, provides tuition reimbursement for California public library staff and county law library staff to upgrade their skills by pursuing a Master’s degree in library science. As the number of professionally-trained librarians dwindles, the program provides improved services immediately by upgrading the skills of currently-employed library staff members while making provision for the future. Staff members in local libraries benefiting from this program include:

Mono County Library System	\$2,881
County of Los Angeles Public Library	\$18,721
Los Angeles Public Library	\$23,196
Palmdale City Library	\$7,587
San Bernardino County Library	\$7,095

In addition, **Inyo County Free Library** and **Mono County Library System** each received \$7,996 for staff to obtain enhanced management training; this involves a summer residency and online coursework throughout the year.

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San Bernardino County Library: California Cultural Crossroads**\$7,500**

Under this initiative, public libraries are building community coalitions and partnerships to sponsor ethnic cultural programming for a specific underserved ethnic/cultural group in the local jurisdiction. Teams from each community – including San Bernardino County - are receiving intensive training and guidance for the development of these plans, which will be implemented in 2006/07 with follow-up grants.

Through the **Live Homework Help** program, students (grades 4-12 and introductory college level students) receive online access to expert tutors for 20-minute, one-on-one homework help sessions in the basic subjects of math, science, English, and social sciences. The service is available through public libraries from 1:00 to 10:00 each day, seven days a week. Tutoring in Spanish is also available in math and science from 3:00 – 7:00 five days a week. Participating libraries include **Glendora Library** and all the

branches of **San Bernardino County Library** (two are located in your District: **Montclair Branch Library** and **Wrightwood Branch Library**). They provide in-library access as well as remote access for students from local homes. In addition, **Monrovia Public Library** provides this service in its two outlets.

Huntington Library, Arts Collections and Botanical Gardens: California Identity: Collections Access and Preservation **\$348,590**

This is the second year of funding for a three-year project to catalog, provide access to, and preserve selected Huntington Library special historical collections of manuscripts, photographs, and other artifacts. The collections are world-class.

Monrovia Public Library: AmeriCorps Initiative **\$4,282**

The library is participating in a statewide Corporation for National and Community Service award that provides AmeriCorps members to assist it with its literacy program. AmeriCorps members are successfully recruiting literacy volunteers and learners, developing and executing community “Days of Service” to expand awareness of literacy issues, and providing tutoring and other related activities in support of the literacy program. A small amount of LSTA funding, complemented by local funds, supports training and communications that would not otherwise be covered.

The **Public Library Staff Education Program**, a California program that complements the Federal provision for the 21st Century Librarian Initiative, provides tuition reimbursement for California public library staff and county law library staff to upgrade their skills by pursuing a Master’s degree in library science. As the number of professionally-trained librarians dwindles, the program provides improved services immediately by upgrading the skills of currently-employed library staff members while making provision for the future. Staff members in local libraries benefiting from this program include **Glendora Public Library** (\$1,419), **County of Los Angeles Public Library** (\$18,721), and **San Bernardino County Library** (\$7,095).

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Los Angeles Public Library: First Source Virtual **\$361,350**

The library is expanding its online database subscriptions for all its branches to provide timely, reliable information for the people of Los Angeles. In addition, the benefits are statewide: the 15 regional information centers which handle queries beyond the capacity of local public libraries also receive access to the online subscriptions, so assuring that all Californians have the same level of service.

University of California, Los Angeles: California Center for the Book **\$279,455**

Housed in its library school, the University's Center for the Book project develops high-quality programs and resources to promote books and reading. It is estimated that 500 public libraries and schools statewide will use its services this year, reaching some 7,000 people. The primary focus now is book clubs.

J. Paul Getty Center (Los Angeles): Librarians for the 21st Century \$339,537

The J. Paul Getty Center and OCLC Online Computer Library Center are partnering to co-host the annual IMLS (Institute of Museum and Library Services) Web-Wise Conference on Libraries and Museums in the Digital World for 2006 and 2007. The 2006 conference will be held in Los Angeles. Its theme will be "Inspiring Discovery: Unlocking Collections," exploring ways in which online library and museum content can be discovered through good metadata practices as well as through new tools and techniques that enhance searching and browsing.

Through the **Live Homework Help** program, students (grades 4-12 and introductory college level students) receive online access to expert tutors for 20-minute, one-on-one homework help sessions in the basic subjects of math, science, English, and social sciences. The service is available through public libraries from 1:00 to 10:00 each day, seven days a week. Tutoring in Spanish is also available in math and science from 3:00 – 7:00 five days a week. Participating libraries include all the branches of **Burbank Public Library**; they provide in-library access as well as remote access from local homes.

Southern California Library for Social Studies and Research (Los Angeles): Local History Digital Resources \$14,185

The library is digitizing black and white photographs of Los Angeles public housing projects in the 1940s and 1950s, drawn from the library's Los Angeles Housing Authority Collection. Photographs selected for digitization include Elysian Park Heights, Estrada Courts, Ramona Gardens, Rose Hill Courts, Pueblo del Rio, Rancho San Pedro, Aliso Village, and Chavez Ravine public housing projects. This local history will now be widely accessible to the public through the Internet, where the University of California hosts the California Digital Library.

University of California, Los Angeles: Librarians for the 21st Century \$109,147

The University of California, Los Angeles, Graduate School of Education and Information Studies is building the infrastructure to develop the California Rare Book School to meet the needs of the western U.S. library community. A feasibility study conducted in 2002 identified the need for such an educational program. Two groups of students will benefit - those already working in special collections libraries who need the knowledge and skills to describe the materials in these libraries and to preserve and provide access to them, and those in accredited programs of library and information science who seek careers in special collections librarianship. The first group of courses will begin in August 2006, and the school's full program will be established in 2007.

The **Public Library Staff Education Program**, a California program that complements the Federal provision for the 21st Century Librarian Initiative, provides tuition reimbursement for California public library staff and county law library staff to upgrade their skills by pursuing a Master's degree in library science. As the number of professionally-trained librarians dwindles, the program provides improved services immediately by upgrading the skills of currently-employed library staff members while making provision for the future. Staff members in local libraries benefiting from this program include **Burbank Public Library** (\$2,580) and **Los Angeles Public Library** (\$23,196).

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Los Angeles Public Library: First Source Virtual **\$361,350**

The library is expanding its online database subscriptions for all its branches to provide timely, reliable information for the people of Los Angeles. In addition, the benefits are statewide: the 15 regional information centers which handle queries beyond the capacity of local public libraries also receive access to the online subscriptions, so assuring that all Californians have the same level of service.

University of California, Los Angeles: California Center for the Book **\$279,455**

Housed in its library school, the University's Center for the Book project develops high-quality programs and resources to promote books and reading. It is estimated that 500 public libraries and schools statewide will use its services this year, reaching some 7,000 people. The primary focus now is book clubs.

J. Paul Getty Center (Los Angeles): Librarians for the 21st Century **339,537**

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Southern California Library for Social Studies and Research (Los Angeles): Local History Digital Resources **\$14,185**

The library is digitizing black and white photographs of Los Angeles public housing projects in the 1940s and 1950s, drawn from the library's Los Angeles Housing Authority Collection. Photographs selected for digitization include Elysian Park Heights, Estrada Courts, Ramona Gardens, Rose Hill Courts, Pueblo del Rio, Rancho San Pedro, Aliso Village, and Chavez Ravine public housing projects. This local history will now be

widely accessible to the public through the Internet, where the University of California hosts the California Digital Library.

University of California, Los Angeles: Librarians for the 21st Century \$109,147

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The **Public Library Staff Education Program**, a California program that complements the Federal provision for the 21st Century Librarian Initiative, provides tuition reimbursement for California public library staff and county law library staff to upgrade their skills by pursuing a Master's degree in library science. As the number of professionally-trained librarians dwindles, the program provides improved services immediately by upgrading the skills of currently-employed library staff members while making provision for the future. Staff members in local libraries benefiting from this program include **Los Angeles Public Library** (\$23,196) and **County of Los Angeles Public Library** (\$18,721).

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South Pasadena Public Library: Services for Small Businesses \$8,506

The business subscription databases begun during last year's program were continued under this grant. The new service was so successful in the first grant year that the Friends of the Library organization donated a new computer to the library for the exclusive use of owners and employees of local small businesses. The library also partnered with the Chamber of Commerce to create a Home-Based Business Lab.

Glendale Public Library: Local History Digital Resources \$14,185

Leslie Brand, one of Glendale's wealthiest and most influential residents during the early 20th century, bequeathed his 650-acre estate and mansion (nicknamed "Brand Castle") to the city of Glendale after his death so that it would be converted into a library and art center. The library is digitizing photographs of Brand, rooms in the mansion, special events that have taken place at the mansion (for example, he held a special party of 100 guests who had to fly their planes in to attend the party), and scenic views of the property. This local history will now be widely accessible to the public through the Internet, where the University of California hosts the California.

Through the **Live Homework Help** program, students (grades 4-12 and introductory college level students) receive online access to expert tutors for 20-minute, one-on-one homework help sessions in the basic subjects of math, science, English, and social sciences. The service is available through public libraries from 1:00 to 10:00 each day, seven days a week. Tutoring in Spanish is also available in math and science from 3:00 – 7:00 five days a week. Participating libraries include all the branches of **Glendale Public Library, Burbank Public Library, and Pasadena Public Library**; they provide in-library access as well as remote access from local homes. **Alhambra Public Library** and **Bruggemeyer Memorial Library (Monterey Park)** also provide in-library use of the service.

Glendale Public Library: Apprentice at the Public Library **\$66,133**

The library is creating a library internship program for teens so that they will consider librarianship as a potential career path. Since it is anticipated that 47% of the current professional librarians will reach retirement age by 2008, this is a proactive approach to addressing a nationwide shortfall.

Bruggemeyer Memorial Library (Monterey Park): Services for Small Businesses **\$8,506**

The library did excellent work with its grant last year to better serve small businesses, and this grant supports the continuation of the business subscription databases. The percentage of owners who reported that the library had directly benefited their small businesses tripled during the course of the first grant year.

The **Public Library Staff Education Program**, a California program that complements the Federal provision for the 21st Century Librarian Initiative, provides tuition reimbursement for California public library staff and county law library staff to upgrade their skills by pursuing a Master's degree in library science. As the number of professionally-trained librarians dwindles, the program provides improved services immediately by upgrading the skills of currently-employed library staff members while making provision for the future. Staff members in local libraries benefiting from this program include:

Burbank Public Library	\$2,580
Glendale Public Library	\$19,648
Pasadena Public Library	\$2,838
County of Los Angeles Public Library	\$18,721

Altadena Library District: Reach Out and Read **\$4,000**

The library is working through pediatricians, medical clinics, and hospitals to encourage parents to read aloud to small children. This project enhances parents' role as their

child's first teacher and nurtures their child's early literacy and language acquisition. It enables parents to prepare their children to start school, ready to read.

Glendale Public Library: Services for Small Businesses **\$8,506**

Under this grant, the business subscription databases begun during last year's program were continued. The percentage of owners who reported that the library had directly benefited their small businesses more than doubled during the course of the first grant year.

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Los Angeles Public Library: First Source Virtual **\$361,350**

The library is expanding its online database subscriptions for all its branches to provide timely, reliable information for the people of Los Angeles. In addition, the benefits are statewide: the 15 regional information centers which handle queries beyond the capacity of local public libraries also receive access to the online subscriptions, so assuring that all Californians have the same level of service.

Through the **Live Homework Help** program, students (grades 4-12 and introductory college level students) receive online access to expert tutors for 20-minute, one-on-one homework help sessions in the basic subjects of math, science, English, and social sciences. The service is available through public libraries from 1:00 to 10:00 each day, seven days a week. Tutoring in Spanish is also available in math and science from 3:00 – 7:00 five days a week. Participating libraries include all the branches of **Santa Monica Public Library**; they provide in-library access as well as remote access from local homes.

J. Paul Getty Center (Brentwood): Librarians for the 21st Century **\$339,537**

The J. Paul Getty Center and OCLC Online Computer Library Center are partnering to co-host the annual IMLS (Institute of Museum and Library Services) Web-Wise Conference on Libraries and Museums in the Digital World for 2006 and 2007. The 2006 conference will be held in Los Angeles. Its theme will be "Inspiring Discovery: Unlocking Collections," exploring ways in which online library and museum content can be discovered through good metadata practices as well as through new tools and techniques that enhance searching and browsing

University of California, Los Angeles: Librarians for the 21st Century **\$109,147**

The University of California, Los Angeles, Graduate School of Education and Information Studies is building the infrastructure to develop the California Rare Book School to meet the needs of the western U.S. library community. A feasibility study conducted in 2002 identified the need for such an educational program. Two groups of

students will benefit - those already working in special collections libraries who need the knowledge and skills to describe the materials in these libraries and to preserve and provide access to them, and those in accredited programs of library and information science who seek careers in special collections librarianship. The first group of courses will begin in August 2006, and the school's full program will be established in 2007.

The **Public Library Staff Education Program**, a California program that complements the Federal provision for the 21st Century Librarian Initiative, provides tuition reimbursement for California public library staff and county law library staff to upgrade their skills by pursuing a Master's degree in library science. As the number of professionally-trained librarians dwindles, the program provides improved services immediately by upgrading the skills of currently-employed library staff members while making provision for the future. Staff members in local libraries benefiting from this program include:

Beverly Hills Public Library	\$5,676
County of Los Angeles Public Library	\$18,721
Los Angeles Public Library	\$23,196
Santa Monica Public Library	\$21,135

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Los Angeles Public Library: First Source Virtual **\$361,350**

The library is expanding its online database subscriptions for all its branches to provide timely, reliable information for the people of Los Angeles. In addition, the benefits are statewide: the 15 regional information centers which handle queries beyond the capacity of local public libraries also receive access to the online subscriptions, so assuring that all Californians have the same level of service.

J. Paul Getty Center (Los Angeles): Librarians for the 21st Century **\$339,537**

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University of California, Los Angeles: California Center for the Book **\$279,455**

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public libraries and schools statewide will use its services this year, reaching some 7,000 people. The primary focus now is book clubs.

University of California, Los Angeles: Librarians for the 21st Century \$109,147

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Southern California Library for Social Studies and Research (Los Angeles): Local History Digital Resources \$14,185

The library is digitizing black and white photographs of Los Angeles public housing projects in the 1940s and 1950s, drawn from the library's Los Angeles Housing Authority Collection. Photographs selected for digitization include Elysian Park Heights, Estrada Courts, Ramona Gardens, Rose Hill Courts, Pueblo del Rio, Rancho San Pedro, Aliso Village, and Chavez Ravine public housing projects. This local history will now be widely accessible to the public through the Internet, where the University of California hosts the California Digital Library.

The **Public Library Staff Education Program**, a California program that complements the Federal provision for the 21st Century Librarian Initiative, provides tuition reimbursement for California public library staff and county law library staff to upgrade their skills by pursuing a Master's degree in library science. As the number of professionally-trained librarians dwindles, the program provides improved services immediately by upgrading the skills of currently-employed library staff members while making provision for the future. Staff members in local libraries benefiting from this program include **Los Angeles Public Library** (\$23,196).

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Los Angeles Public Library: First Source Virtual \$361,350

The library is expanding its online database subscriptions for all its branches to provide timely, reliable information for the people of Los Angeles. In addition, the benefits are statewide: the 15 regional information centers which handle queries beyond the capacity of local public libraries also receive access to the online subscriptions, so assuring that all Californians have the same level of service.

J. Paul Getty Center (Los Angeles): Librarians for the 21st Century 339,537

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Southern California Library for Social Studies and Research (Los Angeles): Local History Digital Resources **\$14,185**

The library is digitizing black and white photographs of Los Angeles public housing projects in the 1940s and 1950s, drawn from the library’s Los Angeles Housing Authority Collection. Photographs selected for digitization include Elysian Park Heights, Estrada Courts, Ramona Gardens, Rose Hill Courts, Pueblo del Rio, Rancho San Pedro, Aliso Village, and Chavez Ravine public housing projects. This local history will now be widely accessible to the public through the Internet, where the University of California hosts the California Digital Library.

University of California, Los Angeles: California Center for the Book **\$279,455**

Housed in its library school, the University’s Center for the Book project develops high-quality programs and resources to promote books and reading. It is estimated that 500 public libraries and schools statewide will use its services this year, reaching some 7,000 people. The primary focus now is book clubs.

University of California, Los Angeles: Librarians for the 21st Century **\$109,147**

The University of California, Los Angeles, Graduate School of Education and Information Studies is building the infrastructure to develop the California Rare Book School to meet the needs of the western U.S. library community. A feasibility study conducted in 2002 identified the need for such an educational program. Two groups of students will benefit - those already working in special collections libraries who need the knowledge and skills to describe the materials in these libraries and to preserve and provide access to them, and those in accredited programs of library and information science who seek careers in special collections librarianship. The first group of courses will begin in August 2006, and the school's full program will be established in 2007.

Covina Public Library: Local History Digital Resources **\$14,185**

The library is producing a digital history of the “orange grove” era in Covina, especially regarding the lives of women and men laborers. Citrus workers, tools used in the groves, worker clothing, and orchard heaters (smudge pots) are all being photographed for inclusion in the digitization project. This local history will now be widely accessible to the public through a library Web site.

The **Public Library Staff Education Program**, a California program that complements the Federal provision for the 21st Century Librarian Initiative, provides tuition

reimbursement for California public library staff and county law library staff to upgrade their skills by pursuing a Master's degree in library science. As the number of professionally-trained librarians dwindles, the program provides improved services immediately by upgrading the skills of currently-employed library staff members while making provision for the future. Staff members in local libraries benefiting from this program include **Los Angeles Public Library** (\$23,196) and **County of Los Angeles Public Library** (\$18,721).

**CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT 33
2005/06**

Los Angeles Public Library: First Source Virtual **\$361,350**

The library is expanding its online database subscriptions for all its branches to provide timely, reliable information for the people of Los Angeles. In addition, the benefits are statewide: the 15 regional information centers which handle queries beyond the capacity of local public libraries also receive access to the online subscriptions, so assuring that all Californians have the same level of service.

University of California, Los Angeles: Librarians for the 21st Century **\$109,147**

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Southern California Library for Social Studies and Research (Los Angeles): Local History Digital Resources **\$14,185**

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J. Paul Getty Center (Los Angeles): Librarians for the 21st Century \$339,537

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The **Public Library Staff Education Program**, a California program that complements the Federal provision for the 21st Century Librarian Initiative, provides tuition reimbursement for California public library staff and county law library staff to upgrade their skills by pursuing a Master’s degree in library science. As the number of professionally-trained librarians dwindles, the program provides improved services immediately by upgrading the skills of currently-employed library staff members while making provision for the future. Staff members in local libraries benefiting from this program include **Los Angeles Public Library** (\$23,196) and **County of Los Angeles Public Library** (\$18,721).

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Los Angeles Public Library: First Source Virtual \$361,350

The library is expanding its online database subscriptions for all its branches to provide timely, reliable information for the people of Los Angeles. In addition, the benefits are statewide: the 15 regional information centers which handle queries beyond the capacity of local public libraries also receive access to the online subscriptions, so assuring that all Californians have the same level of service.

Downey City Library: Services for Small Businesses \$8,506

The library did excellent work with its grant last year to better serve small businesses, and this grant supports the continuation of the business subscription databases. The seminar series for small business owners was so popular that the library also is continuing it in partnership with the local Small Business Development Center.

Commerce Public Library: AmeriCorps Initiative \$4,282

The library is participating in a statewide Corporation for National and Community Service award that provides AmeriCorps members to assist it with its literacy program. AmeriCorps members are successfully recruiting literacy volunteers and learners, developing and executing community “Days of Service” to expand awareness of literacy

issues, and providing tutoring and other related activities in support of the literacy program. A small amount of LSTA funding, complemented by local funds, supports training and communications that would not otherwise be covered.

The **Public Library Staff Education Program**, a California program that complements the Federal provision for the 21st Century Librarian Initiative, provides tuition reimbursement for California public library staff and county law library staff to upgrade their skills by pursuing a Master's degree in library science. As the number of professionally-trained librarians dwindles, the program provides improved services immediately by upgrading the skills of currently-employed library staff members while making provision for the future. Staff members in local libraries benefiting from this program include **Los Angeles Public Library** (\$23,196) and **County of Los Angeles Public Library** (\$18,721).

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Los Angeles Public Library: First Source Virtual \$361,350

The library is expanding its online database subscriptions for all its branches to provide timely, reliable information for the people of Los Angeles. In addition, the benefits are statewide: the 15 regional information centers which handle queries beyond the capacity of local public libraries also receive access to the online subscriptions, so assuring that all Californians have the same level of service.

Inglewood Public Library: Services for Small Businesses \$8,506

The library did excellent work with its grant last year to better serve small businesses, and this grant supports the continuation of the business subscription databases. The library worked with the El Camino College Small Business Development Center and became, among other things, the contact point for their free business consultations.

Southern California Library for Social Studies and Research (Los Angeles): Local History Digital Resources \$14,185

The library is digitizing black and white photographs of Los Angeles public housing projects in the 1940s and 1950s, drawn from the library's Los Angeles Housing Authority Collection. Photographs selected for digitization include Elysian Park Heights, Estrada Courts, Ramona Gardens, Rose Hill Courts, Pueblo del Rio, Rancho San Pedro, Aliso Village, and Chavez Ravine public housing projects. This local history will now be widely accessible to the public through the Internet, where the University of California hosts the California Digital Library.

The **Public Library Staff Education Program**, a California program that complements the Federal provision for the 21st Century Librarian Initiative, provides tuition

reimbursement for California public library staff and county law library staff to upgrade their skills by pursuing a Master's degree in library science. As the number of professionally-trained librarians dwindles, the program provides improved services immediately by upgrading the skills of currently-employed library staff members while making provision for the future. Staff members in local libraries benefiting from this program include **Los Angeles Public Library** (\$23,196) and **County of Los Angeles Public Library** (\$18,721).

**CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT 36
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Los Angeles Public Library: First Source Virtual **\$361,350**

The library is expanding its online database subscriptions for all its branches to provide timely, reliable information for the people of Los Angeles. In addition, the benefits are statewide: the 15 regional information centers which handle queries beyond the capacity of local public libraries also receive access to the online subscriptions, so assuring that all Californians have the same level of service.

J. Paul Getty Center (Los Angeles): Librarians for the 21st Century **\$339,537**

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University of California, Los Angeles: California Center for the Book **\$279,455**

Housed in its library school, the University's Center for the Book project develops high-quality programs and resources to promote books and reading. It is estimated that 500 public libraries and schools statewide will use its services this year, reaching some 7,000 people. The primary focus now is book clubs.

Palos Verdes Library District: Local History Digital Resources **\$14,185**

The library is digitizing photographs from its special collection that includes over 3,000 photographs. The photographs being digitized include the Palos Verdes Peninsula, its buildings, its Japanese American community before internment, coastal landscapes, and famous landmarks. This local history will now be widely accessible to the public through a library Web site.

Southern California Library for Social Studies and Research (Los Angeles): Local History Digital Resources **\$14,185**

The library is digitizing black and white photographs of Los Angeles public housing projects in the 1940s and 1950s, drawn from the library's Los Angeles Housing Authority Collection. Photographs selected for digitization include Elysian Park Heights, Estrada Courts, Ramona Gardens, Rose Hill Courts, Pueblo del Rio, Rancho San Pedro, Aliso Village, and Chavez Ravine public housing projects. This local history will now be widely accessible to the public through the Internet, where the University of California hosts the California Digital Library.

University of California, Los Angeles: Librarians for the 21st Century \$109,147

The University of California, Los Angeles, Graduate School of Education and Information Studies is building the infrastructure to develop the California Rare Book School to meet the needs of the western U.S. library community. A feasibility study conducted in 2002 identified the need for such an educational program. Two groups of students will benefit - those already working in special collections libraries who need the knowledge and skills to describe the materials in these libraries and to preserve and provide access to them, and those in accredited programs of library and information science who seek careers in special collections librarianship. The first group of courses will begin in August 2006, and the school's full program will be established in 2007.

The **Public Library Staff Education Program**, a California program that complements the Federal provision for the 21st Century Librarian Initiative, provides tuition reimbursement for California public library staff and county law library staff to upgrade their skills by pursuing a Master's degree in library science. As the number of professionally-trained librarians dwindles, the program provides improved services immediately by upgrading the skills of currently-employed library staff members while making provision for the future. Staff members in local libraries benefiting from this program include **Los Angeles Public Library** (\$23,196), **County of Los Angeles Public Library** (\$18,721), and **Palos Verdes Library District** (\$6,386).

**CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT 37
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Los Angeles Public Library: First Source Virtual \$361,350

The library is expanding its online database subscriptions for all its branches to provide timely, reliable information for the people of Los Angeles. In addition, the benefits are statewide: the 15 regional information centers which handle queries beyond the capacity of local public libraries also receive access to the online subscriptions, so assuring that all Californians have the same level of service.

J. Paul Getty Center (Los Angeles): Librarians for the 21st Century \$339,537

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Unlocking Collections,” exploring ways in which online library and museum content can be discovered through good metadata practices as well as through new tools and techniques that enhance searching and browsing.

Through the **Live Homework Help** program, students (grades 4-12 and introductory college level students) receive online access to expert tutors for 20-minute, one-on-one homework help sessions in the basic subjects of math, science, English, and social sciences. The service is available in public libraries from 1:00 to 10:00 each day, seven days a week. Tutoring in Spanish is also available in math and science from 3:00 – 7:00 five days a week. Participating libraries include all the branches of **Long Beach Public Library** (eight are located in your District).

University of California, Los Angeles: California Center for the Book \$279,455

Housed in its library school, the University’s Center for the Book project develops high-quality programs and resources to promote books and reading. It is estimated that 500 public libraries and schools statewide will use its services this year, reaching some 7,000 people. The primary focus now is book clubs.

Southern California Library for Social Studies and Research (Los Angeles): Local History Digital Resources \$14,185

The library is digitizing black and white photographs of Los Angeles public housing projects in the 1940s and 1950s, drawn from the library’s Los Angeles Housing Authority Collection. Photographs selected for digitization include Elysian Park Heights, Estrada Courts, Ramona Gardens, Rose Hill Courts, Pueblo del Rio, Rancho San Pedro, Aliso Village, and Chavez Ravine public housing projects. This local history will now be widely accessible to the public through the Internet, where the University of California hosts the California Digital Library.

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The **Public Library Staff Education Program**, a California program that complements the Federal provision for the 21st Century Librarian Initiative, provides tuition reimbursement for California public library staff and county law library staff to upgrade their skills by pursuing a Master’s degree in library science. As the number of

professionally-trained librarians dwindles, the program provides improved services immediately by upgrading the skills of currently-employed library staff members while making provision for the future. Staff members in local libraries benefiting from this program include **Long Beach Public Library** (\$3,548), **Los Angeles Public Library** (\$23,196), and **County of Los Angeles Public Library** (\$18,721).

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Pomona Public Library: Services for Small Businesses **\$8,506**

The library did excellent work with its grant last year to better serve small businesses, and this grant supports the continuation of the business subscription databases. The business seminars, in particular, proved valuable for local business owners; the city's Business Development Division and its Public Information Officers were strong partners in spreading the word. The percentage of owners who reported that the library had directly benefited their small businesses grew to 43% in the first grant year alone.

Santa Fe Springs Public Library: AmeriCorps Initiative **\$4,282**

The library is participating in a statewide Corporation for National and Community Service award that provides AmeriCorps members to assist it with its literacy program. AmeriCorps members are successfully recruiting literacy volunteers and learners, developing and executing community "Days of Service" to expand awareness of literacy issues, and providing tutoring and other related activities in support of the literacy program. A small amount of LSTA funding, complemented by local funds, supports training and communications that would not otherwise be covered.

The **Public Library Staff Education Program**, a California program that complements the Federal provision for the 21st Century Librarian Initiative, provides tuition reimbursement for California public library staff and county law library staff to upgrade their skills by pursuing a Master's degree in library science. As the number of professionally-trained librarians dwindles, the program provides improved services immediately by upgrading the skills of currently-employed library staff members while making provision for the future. Staff members in local libraries benefiting from this program include **County of Los Angeles Public Library** (\$18,721).

Santa Fe Springs Public Library: Services for Small Businesses **\$8,506**

Under this grant, the business subscription databases begun during last year's program were continued. In Santa Fe Springs, the percentage of owners who reported that the library directly benefited their small businesses almost tripled over the course of the first grant year.

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Cerritos Public Library: Partnerships for Community Learning **\$196,460**

This collaborative undertaking among the Pacific Asia Museum, Eastern Multimedia Group, Infopeople, Joint Chinese University Alumni Association, California State Library, and Cerritos Public Library is training 20 community-library teams about providing lifelong learning or “free-choice” learning for the library users in their respective communities. These teams will then receive funds to implement the plans developed during the course of the training.

J. Paul Getty Center (Los Angeles): Librarians for the 21st Century **\$339,537**

The J. Paul Getty Center and OCLC Online Computer Library Center are partnering to co-host the annual IMLS (Institute of Museum and Library Services) Web-Wise Conference on Libraries and Museums in the Digital World for 2006 and 2007. The 2006 conference will be held in Los Angeles. Its theme will be “Inspiring Discovery: Unlocking Collections,” exploring ways in which online library and museum content can be discovered through good metadata practices as well as through new tools and techniques that enhance searching and browsing.

Through the **Live Homework Help** program, students (grades 4-12 and introductory college level students) receive online access to expert tutors for 20-minute, one-on-one homework help sessions in the basic subjects of math, science, English, and social sciences. The service is available in public libraries from 1:00 to 10:00 each day, seven days a week. Tutoring in Spanish is also available in math and science from 3:00 – 7:00 five days a week. Participating libraries include all the branches of **Whittier Public Library** (one is located in your District).

University of California, Los Angeles: California Center for the Book **\$279,455**

Housed in its library school, the University’s Center for the Book project develops high-quality programs and resources to promote books and reading. It is estimated that 500 public libraries and schools statewide will use its services this year, reaching some 7,000 people. The primary focus now is book clubs.

Southern California Library for Social Studies and Research (Los Angeles): Local History Digital Resources **\$14,185**

The library is digitizing black and white photographs of Los Angeles public housing projects in the 1940s and 1950s, drawn from the library’s Los Angeles Housing Authority Collection. Photographs selected for digitization include Elysian Park Heights, Estrada Courts, Ramona Gardens, Rose Hill Courts, Pueblo del Rio, Rancho San Pedro, Aliso Village, and Chavez Ravine public housing projects. This local history will now be widely accessible to the public through the Internet, where the University of California hosts the California Digital Library.

University of California, Los Angeles: Librarians for the 21st Century \$109,147

The University of California, Los Angeles, Graduate School of Education and Information Studies is building the infrastructure to develop the California Rare Book School to meet the needs of the western U.S. library community. A feasibility study conducted in 2002 identified the need for such an educational program. Two groups of students will benefit - those already working in special collections libraries who need the knowledge and skills to describe the materials in these libraries and to preserve and provide access to them, and those in accredited programs of library and information science who seek careers in special collections librarianship. The first group of courses will begin in August 2006, and the school's full program will be established in 2007.

The **Public Library Staff Education Program**, a California program that complements the Federal provision for the 21st Century Librarian Initiative, provides tuition reimbursement for California public library staff and county law library staff to upgrade their skills by pursuing a Master's degree in library science. As the number of professionally trained librarians dwindles, the program provides improved services immediately by upgrading the skills of currently-employed library staff members while making provision for the future. Staff members in local libraries benefiting from this program include **County of Los Angeles Public Library** (\$18,721) and **Whittier Public Library** (\$11,134).

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Fullerton Public Library: Services for Small Businesses \$8,506

The library did excellent work with its grant last year to better serve small businesses, and this grant supports the continuation of the business subscription databases. The library has also initiated a second series of seminars for business owners in Fullerton; the percentage of owners who reported that the library directly benefited their small businesses has almost doubled.

Placentia Library District: Placentia Archives Success \$48,634

The library is establishing a satellite reference library/homework facility at the Homeless Intervention Shelter (H.I.S.) House to serve school-age children residing there who don't have the resources available to complete homework assignments.

Through the **Live Homework Help** program, students (grades 4-12 and introductory college level students) receive online access to expert tutors for 20-minute, one-on-one homework help sessions in the basic subjects of math, science, English, and social sciences. The service is available in public libraries from 1:00 to 10:00 each day, seven days a week. Tutoring in Spanish is also available in math and science from 3:00 – 7:00 five days a week. Participating libraries include all the branches of **Buena Park Library District**.

Orange County Public Library: AmeriCorps Initiative**\$4,282**

The library is participating in a statewide Corporation for National and Community Service award that provides AmeriCorps members to assist it with its literacy program. AmeriCorps members are successfully recruiting literacy volunteers and learners, developing and executing community “Days of Service” to expand awareness of literacy issues, and providing tutoring and other related activities in support of the literacy program. A small amount of LSTA funding, complemented by local funds, supports training and communications that would not otherwise be covered.

The **Public Library Staff Education Program**, a California program that complements the Federal provision for the 21st Century Librarian Initiative, provides tuition reimbursement for California public library staff and county law library staff to upgrade their skills by pursuing a Master’s degree in library science. As the number of professionally-trained librarians dwindles, the program provides improved services immediately by upgrading the skills of currently-employed library staff members while making provision for the future. Staff members in local libraries benefiting from this program include:

Anaheim Public Library	\$11,596
Fullerton Public Library	\$4,257
Orange County Public Law Library	\$3,548
Orange County Public Library	\$25,543
Orange Public Library	\$1,935
Placentia Library District	\$8,514

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Beaumont Library District: Services for Small Businesses**\$8,506**

The library did excellent work with its grant last year to better serve small businesses, and this grant supports the continuation of the business subscription databases. The seminar series for small business owners was so popular that the library also is continuing it in partnership with the local Small Business Development Center.

San Bernardino County Library: California Cultural Crossroads**\$7,500**

Under this initiative, public libraries are building community coalitions and partnerships to sponsor ethnic cultural programming for a specific underserved ethnic/cultural group in the local jurisdiction. Teams from each community – including San Bernardino County - are receiving intensive training and guidance for the development of these plans, which will be implemented in 2006/07 with follow-up grants.

Through the **Live Homework Help** program, students (grades 4-12 and introductory college level students) receive online access to expert tutors for 20-minute, one-on-one homework help sessions in the basic subjects of math, science, English, and social sciences. The service is available through public libraries from 1:00 to 10:00 each day, seven days a week. Tutoring in Spanish is also available in math and science from 3:00 – 7:00 five days a week. Participating libraries include all the branches of **San Bernardino County Library** (sixteen are in your District: **Apple Valley Branch Library, Big Bear Lake Branch Library, Crestline Branch Library, Grand Terrace Branch Library, Hesperia Branch Library, Highland Branch Library, Joshua Tree Branch Library, Lake Arrowhead Branch Library in Blue Jay, Loma Linda Branch Library, Lucerne Valley Branch Library, Mentone Branch Library, Needles Branch Library, Running Springs Branch Library, Twentynine Palms Branch Library, Yucaipa Branch Library, and Yucca Valley Branch Library**). They provide in-library access as well as remote access from local homes. In addition, all branches of **Riverside County Public Library** – including four in your District (**Calimesa Station, Desert Hot Springs Branch Library, San Jacinto Branch Library, and Valle Vista Library in Hemet**) - provide the service in-house.

Riverside County Library: AmeriCorps Initiative

\$4,282

The library is participating in a statewide Corporation for National and Community Service award that provides AmeriCorps members to assist it with its literacy program. AmeriCorps members are successfully recruiting literacy volunteers and learners, developing and executing community “Days of Service” to expand awareness of literacy issues, and providing tutoring and other related activities in support of the literacy program. A small amount of LSTA funding, complemented by local funds, supports training and communications that would not otherwise be covered.

Indian tribes in California are using LSTA funds to support core library operations and ensure a basic level of public library service. Tribes providing library services through the **Native American Library Services** program include the **Chemehuevi Indian Tribe (Havasupai Lake)**.

San Bernardino County Library: Services for Small Businesses

\$8,506

Under this grant, the business subscription databases begun during last year’s program were continued. The percentage of Lake Arrowhead owners who reported that the library had directly benefited their small businesses rose by 43% during the course of the first grant year.

The **Public Library Staff Education Program**, a California program that complements the Federal provision for the 21st Century Librarian Initiative, provides tuition reimbursement for California public library staff and county law library staff to upgrade their skills by pursuing a Master’s degree in library science. As the number of professionally trained librarians dwindles, the program provides improved services immediately by upgrading the skills of currently-employed library staff members while

making provision for the future. Staff members in local libraries benefiting from this program include **Beaumont Library District** (\$4,967), **Riverside County Library System** (\$6,385), and **San Bernardino County Library** (\$7,095).

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Mission Viejo Public Library: Services for Small Businesses **8,506**

Under this grant, the business subscription databases begun during last year's program were renewed. In Mission Viejo, the percentage of owners who reported that their small businesses had directly benefited from the library's services more than doubled during the course of the first grant year.

Through the **Live Homework Help** program, students (grades 4-12 and introductory college level students) receive online access to expert tutors for 20-minute, one-on-one homework help sessions in the basic subjects of math, science, English, and social sciences. The service is available through public libraries from 1:00 to 10:00 each day, seven days a week. Tutoring in Spanish is also available in math and science from 3:00 – 7:00 five days a week. Participating libraries include all the branches of **San Bernardino County Library** (two are located in your District: **Chino Branch Library** and **Chino Hills Branch Library**); they provide in-library access as well as remote access from local homes. In addition, all branches of **Mission Viejo City Library** provide remote access to the service and **Whittier Public Library** provides it in-house.

Orange County Public Library: AmeriCorps Initiative **\$4,282**

The library is participating in a statewide Corporation for National and Community Service award that provides AmeriCorps members to assist it with its literacy program. AmeriCorps members are successfully recruiting literacy volunteers and learners, developing and executing community "Days of Service" to expand awareness of literacy issues, and providing tutoring and other related activities in support of the literacy program. A small amount of LSTA funding, complemented by local funds, supports training and communications that would not otherwise be covered.

San Bernardino County Library: California Cultural Crossroads **\$7,500**

Under this initiative, public libraries are building community coalitions and partnerships to sponsor ethnic cultural programming for a specific underserved ethnic/cultural group in the local jurisdiction. Teams from each community – including San Bernardino County - are receiving intensive training and guidance for the development of these plans, which will be implemented in 2006/07 with follow-up grants.

Yorba Linda Public Library: Services for Small Businesses **\$8,506**

The library did excellent work with its grant last year to better serve small businesses, and this grant supports the continuation of the business subscription databases. Last year, the business services were so successful that the library was given a slot on the Board of Directors of the city's Chamber of Commerce.

Mission Viejo Public Library: Local History Digital Resources **\$14,185**

The library is digitizing the Mission Viejo Local Historical Collection provided by the Mission Viejo Company. Materials being digitized include photographs, real estate brochures, and original house plans. These images were chosen because Mission Viejo is the first successful master planned community in the U.S. This local history will now be widely accessible to the public through the Internet, where the University of California hosts the California Digital Library.

The **Public Library Staff Education Program**, a California program that complements the Federal provision for the 21st Century Librarian Initiative, provides tuition reimbursement for California public library staff and county law library staff to upgrade their skills by pursuing a Master's degree in library science. As the number of professionally-trained librarians dwindles, the program provides improved services immediately by upgrading the skills of currently-employed library staff members while making provision for the future. Staff members in local libraries benefiting from this program include:

Anaheim Public Library	\$11,596
County of Los Angeles Public Library	\$18,721
Orange County Public Law Library	\$3,548
Orange County Public Library	\$25,543
San Bernardino County Library	\$7,095
Whittier Public Library	\$11,134
Yorba Linda Public Library	\$4,257

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San Bernardino Public Library: Services for Small Businesses **\$8,506**

The library did excellent work with its grant last year to better serve small businesses, and this grant supports the continuation of the business subscription databases. Their business seminar series was so popular that the Small Business Administration and the Inland Empire Center for Entrepreneurship are also continuing to sponsor workshops in the Central Library. It is noteworthy that the percentage of owners who reported that the library had directly benefited their small businesses doubled over the course of the first grant year.

Colton Public Library: AmeriCorps Initiative**\$4,282**

The library is participating in a statewide Corporation for National and Community Service award that provides AmeriCorps members to assist it with its literacy program. AmeriCorps members are successfully recruiting literacy volunteers and learners, developing and executing community “Days of Service” to expand awareness of literacy issues, and providing tutoring and other related activities in support of the literacy program. A small amount of LSTA funding, complemented by local funds, supports training and communications that would not otherwise be covered.

Through the **Live Homework Help** program, students (grades 4-12 and introductory college level students) receive online access to expert tutors for 20-minute, one-on-one homework help sessions in the basic subjects of math, science, English, and social sciences. The service is available through public libraries from 1:00 to 10:00 each day, seven days a week. Tutoring in Spanish is also available in math and science from 3:00 – 7:00 five days a week. Participating libraries include all the branches of **San Bernardino County Library** (four are located in your District: **Bloomington Branch Library**, **Fontana Branch Library**, **Kaiser Branch Library** in Fontana, and **Rialto Branch Library**). They provide in-library access as well as remote access for students from local homes. In addition, **Colton Public Library** also provides remote access to the service.

San Bernardino County Library: California Cultural Crossroads**\$7,500**

Under this initiative, public libraries are building community coalitions and partnerships to sponsor ethnic cultural programming for a specific underserved ethnic/cultural group in the local jurisdiction. Teams from each community – including San Bernardino County - are receiving intensive training and guidance for the development of these plans, which will be implemented in 2006/07 with follow-up grants.

The **Public Library Staff Education Program**, a California program that complements the Federal provision for the 21st Century Librarian Initiative, provides tuition reimbursement for California public library staff and county law library staff to upgrade their skills by pursuing a Master’s degree in library science. As the number of professionally-trained librarians dwindles, the program provides improved services immediately by upgrading the skills of currently-employed library staff members while making provision for the future. Staff members in local libraries benefiting from this program include **San Bernardino County Library** (\$7,095).

**CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT 44
2005/06****Imperial County Free Library: Services for Small Businesses****\$8,506**

The library did excellent work with its grant last year to better serve small businesses, and the new grant supports the continuation of its business subscription databases. The

library presented business seminars in Spanish and English, and the Imperial Valley Small Business Development Center is also continuing to provide speakers for them. To allow people to obtain the one-on-one information they need without extensive travel, Imperial County Free Library also arranged for free Webcam appointments for business consultations with the Procurement Technical Assistance Center.

Orange County Public Library: AmeriCorps Initiative **\$4,282**
Riverside County Library: AmeriCorps Initiative **\$4,282**

The libraries are participating in a statewide Corporation for National and Community Service award that provides AmeriCorps members to assist them with their literacy programs. AmeriCorps members are successfully recruiting literacy volunteers and learners, developing and executing community “Days of Service” to expand awareness of literacy issues, and providing tutoring and other related activities in support of the literacy programs. A small amount of LSTA funding, complemented by local funds, supports training and communications costs that would not otherwise be covered.

University of California, Riverside: National Leadership Grant **\$999,719**

Libraries wish to provide users with searchable databases, catalogs, indexes, and other tools to enable information discovery, but using human labor to create these resources is not feasible on a large scale in today's vast online environment. The University of California at Riverside's Library is conducting research aimed at producing better machine-based, automatically generated metadata to improve the search and retrieval of online content. The project will create free open source software and will address organizational and sustainability issues relating to metadata generation service(s) for digital libraries.

Through the **Live Homework Help** program, students (grades 4-12 and introductory college level students) receive online access to expert tutors for 20-minute, one-on-one homework help sessions in the basic subjects of math, science, English, and social sciences. The service is available in public libraries from 1:00 to 10:00 each day, seven days a week. Tutoring in Spanish is also available in math and science from 3:00 – 7:00 five days a week. Participating libraries include all the branches of **Riverside County Public Library** – four of which are in your District: **Glen Avon Branch Library** and **Robidoux Branch Library** in **Riverside**, **Highgrove Branch Library**, and **Norco Branch Library**.

San Bernardino County Library: California Cultural Crossroads **\$7,500**

Under this initiative, public libraries are building community coalitions and partnerships to sponsor ethnic cultural programming for a specific underserved ethnic/cultural group in the local jurisdiction. Teams from each community – including San Bernardino County - are receiving intensive training and guidance for the development of these plans, which will be implemented in 2006/07 with follow-up grants.

University of California, Riverside: Creating a California Digital Newspaper Collection **\$102,300**

The California Newspaper Project, part of the Center for Bibliographical Studies and Research (CBSR) at U.C. Riverside, has received funding for a number of years to preserve California newspapers by use of microfilm as the preservation medium. Most recently, however, the university received a grant from NEH/Library of Congress for the National Digital Newspaper Program (NDNP) for 2005-2007. In this project, LSTA funds and local funds are augmenting the NEH/NDNP grant to create a historical California digital newspaper collection that will be free to the public through a Web site on the Internet.

The **Public Library Staff Education Program**, a California program that complements the Federal provision for the 21st Century Librarian Initiative, provides tuition reimbursement for California public library staff and county law library staff to upgrade their skills by pursuing a Master's degree in library science. As the number of professionally-trained librarians dwindles, the program provides improved services immediately by upgrading the skills of currently-employed library staff members while making provision for the future. Staff members in local libraries benefiting from this program include:

Orange County Public Law Library	\$3,548
Orange County Public Library	\$25,543
Riverside County Library System	\$6,385
Riverside Public Library	\$10,643
San Bernardino County Library	\$7,095

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Through the **Live Homework Help** program, students (grades 4-12 and introductory college level students) receive online access to expert tutors for 20-minute, one-on-one homework help sessions in the basic subjects of math, science, English, and social sciences. The service is available in public libraries from 1:00 to 10:00 each day, seven days a week. Tutoring in Spanish is also available in math and science from 3:00 – 7:00 five days a week. Participating libraries include all the branches of **Riverside County Public Library** – eleven of which are in your District: **Anza Valley Community Library, Cathedral City Branch Library, Coachella Branch Library, Idyllwild Branch Library, La Quinta Branch Library, Lake Tamarisk Library in Desert Center, Max T. McCandless Branch Library in Indio, Mecca-North Shore Branch Library, Nuvview Branch Library in Nuevo, Palm Desert Branch Library, and Thousand Palms Station.** In addition, two branches of **Imperial County Library (Desert Shores Library and Salton City Library)** provide remote access to the service for students from their local homes.

Hemet Public Library: AmeriCorps Initiative	\$4,282
Riverside County Library: AmeriCorps Initiative	\$4,282

The libraries are participating in a statewide Corporation for National and Community Service award that provides AmeriCorps members to assist them with their literacy programs. AmeriCorps members are successfully recruiting literacy volunteers and learners, developing and executing community “Days of Service” to expand awareness of literacy issues, and providing tutoring and other related activities in support of the literacy programs. A small amount of LSTA funding, complemented by local funds, supports training and communications costs that would not otherwise be covered.

Indian tribes in California are using LSTA funds to support core library operations and ensure a basic level of public library service. Tribes providing library services through the **Native American Library Services** program include the **Ramona Band of Cahuilla Mission Indians (Anza)** and the **Torres-Martinez Band of Desert Cahuilla Indians (Thermal)**.

The **Public Library Staff Education Program**, a California program that complements the Federal provision for the 21st Century Librarian Initiative, provides tuition reimbursement for California public library staff and county law library staff to upgrade their skills by pursuing a Master’s degree in library science. As the number of professionally-trained librarians dwindles, the program provides improved services immediately by upgrading the skills of currently-employed library staff members while making provision for the future. Staff members in local libraries benefiting from this program include **Riverside County Library System** (\$6,385).

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Palos Verdes Library District: Local History Digital Resources **\$14,185**

The library is digitizing photographs from its special collection that includes over 3,000 photographs. The photographs being digitized include the Palos Verdes Peninsula, its buildings, its Japanese American community before internment, coastal landscapes, and famous landmarks. This local history will now be widely accessible to the public through the Internet, where the University of California hosts the California Digital Library.

Through the **Live Homework Help** program, students (grades 4-12 and introductory college level students) receive online access to expert tutors for 20-minute, one-on-one homework help sessions in the basic subjects of math, science, English, and social sciences. The service is available in public libraries from 1:00 to 10:00 each day, seven days a week. Tutoring in Spanish is also available in math and science from 3:00 – 7:00 five days a week. Participating libraries include all the branches of **Long Beach Public Library** – four of which are in your District: the **Central Library**, **Bay Shore Branch Library**, **El Dorado Branch Library**, and **Los Altos Branch Library**.

Orange County Public Library: AmeriCorps Initiative **\$4,282**

The library is participating in a statewide Corporation for National and Community Service award that provides AmeriCorps members to assist it with its literacy program. AmeriCorps members are successfully recruiting literacy volunteers and learners, developing and executing community “Days of Service” to expand awareness of literacy issues, and providing tutoring and other related activities in support of the literacy program. A small amount of LSTA funding, complemented by local funds, supports training and communications that would not otherwise be covered.

The **Public Library Staff Education Program**, a California program that complements the Federal provision for the 21st Century Librarian Initiative, provides tuition reimbursement for California public library staff and county law library staff to upgrade their skills by pursuing a Master’s degree in library science. As the number of professionally-trained librarians dwindles, the program provides improved services immediately by upgrading the skills of currently-employed library staff members while making provision for the future. Staff members in local libraries benefiting from this program include:

Long Beach Public Library	\$3,548
County of Los Angeles Public Library	\$18,721
Orange County Public Law Library	\$3,548
Orange County Public Library	\$25,543
Palos Verdes Library District	\$6,386

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Anaheim Public Library, **Santa Ana Public Library**, and **Orange County Public Library** are providing information services to their communities 24 hours a day, 7 days a week through interactive, online assistance from reference librarians under the **AskNow** program. Students of all ages, and people with full-time jobs, especially appreciate the ability to obtain information when and where they need it.

Orange County Public Library: AmeriCorps Initiative **\$4,282**

The library is participating in a statewide Corporation for National and Community Service award that provides AmeriCorps members to assist it with its literacy program. AmeriCorps members are successfully recruiting literacy volunteers and learners, developing and executing community “Days of Service” to expand awareness of literacy issues, and providing tutoring and other related activities in support of the literacy program. A small amount of LSTA funding, complemented by local funds, supports training and communications that would not otherwise be covered.

The **Public Library Staff Education Program**, a California program that complements the Federal provision for the 21st Century Librarian Initiative, provides tuition reimbursement for California public library staff and county law library staff to upgrade

their skills by pursuing a Master's degree in library science. As the number of professionally-trained librarians dwindles, the program provides improved services immediately by upgrading the skills of currently-employed library staff members while making provision for the future. Staff members in local libraries benefiting from this program include:

Anaheim Public Library	\$2,838
Orange County Public Law Library	\$3,548
Orange County Public Library	\$25,543
Santa Ana Public Library	\$9,224

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Orange County Public Library is providing information services to the entire county 24 hours a day, 7 days a week through interactive, online assistance from reference librarians under the **AskNow** program. Students of all ages, and people with full-time jobs, especially appreciate the ability to obtain information when and where they need it.

Orange County Public Library: AmeriCorps Initiative **\$4,282**

The library is participating in a statewide Corporation for National and Community Service award that provides AmeriCorps members to assist it with its literacy program. AmeriCorps members are successfully recruiting literacy volunteers and learners, developing and executing community "Days of Service" to expand awareness of literacy issues, and providing tutoring and other related activities in support of the literacy program. A small amount of LSTA funding, complemented by local funds, supports training and communications that would not otherwise be covered.

The **Public Library Staff Education Program**, a California program that complements the Federal provision for the 21st Century Librarian Initiative, provides tuition reimbursement for California public library staff and county law library staff to upgrade their skills by pursuing a Master's degree in library science. As the number of professionally trained librarians dwindles, the program provides improved services immediately by upgrading the skills of currently-employed library staff members while making provision for the future. Staff members in local libraries benefiting from this program include:

Newport Beach Public Library	\$710
Orange County Public Law Library	\$3,548
Orange County Public Library	\$25,543

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Oceanside Public Library: Services for Small Businesses **\$8,506**

The library did excellent work with its grant last year to better serve small businesses, and this grant supports the continuation of the business subscription databases. A business owner in Oceanside wrote to the library and told them that the library “got me a much-needed e-mail Yahoo address. . .without them I probably wouldn’t ever have been able to conduct e-business;” the library is also working with SCORE (an organization of retired CEOs who volunteer their time to provide free counseling for small business owners) to provide community meeting room space for their consultations on an ongoing basis.

Indian tribes in California are using LSTA funds to support core library operations and ensure a basic level of public library service. Tribes providing library services through the **Native American Library Services** program include:

Ewiiapaayp Band of Kumeyaay Indians (Valley Center)
Los Coyotes Band of Cahuilla Mission Indians (Warner Springs)
Mesa Grande Band of Mission Indians (Santa Ysabel)
Pala Band of Mission Indians (Pala)
Pauma Band of Mission Indians (Pauma Valley)

San Diego Public Library: Youth Voices: Barrio Logan **\$136,367**

This project is teaming up teens from the San Diego Latino community of Barrio Logan with local media artists and librarians to research and produce a series of eight to ten minute videos that focus on issues pertinent to Barrio Logan such as public health, education, history, leadership, employment, and housing. Once completed, these videos will be aired publicly to strengthen this community’s cultural identity and to help participating teens learn how to use media technology to explore their community and become reconnected with it.

Riverside County Library: AmeriCorps Initiative	\$4,282
San Diego County Library: AmeriCorps Initiative	\$4,282
San Diego Public Library: AmeriCorps Initiative	\$4,282

The libraries are participating in a statewide Corporation for National and Community Service award that provides AmeriCorps members to assist them with their literacy programs. AmeriCorps members are successfully recruiting literacy volunteers and learners, developing and executing community “Days of Service” to expand awareness of literacy issues, and providing tutoring and other related activities in support of the literacy programs. A small amount of LSTA funding, complemented by local funds, supports training and communications costs that would not otherwise be covered.

Through the **Live Homework Help** program, students (grades 4-12 and introductory college level students) receive online access to expert tutors for 20-minute, one-on-one homework help sessions in the basic subjects of math, science, English, and social sciences. The service is available in public libraries from 1:00 to 10:00 each day, seven days a week. Tutoring in Spanish is also available in math and science from 3:00 – 7:00 five days a week. Participating libraries include all the branches of **Riverside County Public Library** – five of which are in your District: **Altha Merrifield-Lake Elsinore Branch Library, Canyon Lake Branch Library, Perris Branch Library, Sun City Branch Library, and Temecula Branch Library.**

San Diego Public Library: Reach Out and Read **\$7,600**

The library is working through pediatricians, medical clinics, and hospitals to encourage parents to read aloud to small children. This project enhances parents' role as their child's first teacher and nurtures their child's early literacy and language acquisition. It enables parents to prepare their children to start school, ready to read.

Pauma Band of Luiseno Mission Indians (Pauma Valley): Native American Library Services Enhancement Grant **\$142,097**

This project is creating an automated library catalog, establishing an archive of important tribal material, and increasing the number of programs at the library. An archive room is being established to house original Luiseno/Pauma materials. This special collection of documents pertaining to land use, water rights, archeology, culture, and history are being inventoried and digitized. The library is presenting new collaborative programs, including health awareness, personal finance, and special children's programs.

San Diego Public Library: California Cultural Crossroads **\$7,500**

Under this initiative, public libraries are building community coalitions and partnerships to sponsor ethnic cultural programming for a specific underserved ethnic/cultural group in the local jurisdiction. Teams from each community – including San Diego - are receiving intensive training and guidance for the development of these plans, which will be implemented in 2006/07 with follow-up grants.

The **Public Library Staff Education Program**, a California program that complements the Federal provision for the 21st Century Librarian Initiative, provides tuition reimbursement for California public library staff and county law library staff to upgrade their skills by pursuing a Master's degree in library science. As the number of professionally trained librarians dwindles, the program provides improved services immediately by upgrading the skills of currently-employed library staff members while making provision for the future. Staff members in local libraries benefiting from this program include:

Oceanside Public Library	\$1,419
Riverside County Library System	\$6,385
San Diego County Public Law Library	\$1,419
San Diego County Public Library	\$21,995

San Diego Public Library

\$10,643

In addition, **Oceanside Public Library** received \$7,996 for staff to obtain enhanced management training; this involves a summer residency and online coursework throughout the year.

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Escondido Public Library: Services for Small Businesses

\$8,506

The library did excellent work with its grant last year to better serve small businesses, and this grant supports the continuation of the business subscription databases. The percentage of owners who reported that their small businesses had directly benefited from the library's services increased by 100% during the first grant year alone.

San Diego Public Library: Youth Voices: Barrio Logan

\$136,367

This project is teaming up teens from the San Diego Latino community of Barrio Logan with local media artists and librarians to research and produce a series of eight to ten minute videos that focus on issues pertinent to Barrio Logan such as public health, education, history, leadership, employment, and housing. Once completed, these videos will be aired publicly to strengthen this community's cultural identity and to help participating teens learn how to use media technology to explore their community and become reconnected with it.

Under the **California Cultural Crossroads** initiative, public libraries are building community coalitions and partnerships to sponsor ethnic cultural programming for a specific underserved ethnic/cultural group in the local jurisdiction. Teams from each community are receiving intensive training and guidance for the development of these plans, which will be implemented in 2006/07 with follow-up grants. **San Diego Public Library** is one of the seven participants in this program.

Carlsbad Public Library: AmeriCorps Initiative

\$4,282

Escondido Public Library: AmeriCorps Initiative

\$4,282

San Diego County Library: AmeriCorps Initiative

\$4,282

San Diego Public Library: AmeriCorps Initiative

\$4,282

The libraries are participating in a statewide Corporation for National and Community Service award that provides AmeriCorps members to assist them with their literacy programs. AmeriCorps members are successfully recruiting literacy volunteers and learners, developing and executing community "Days of Service" to expand awareness of literacy issues, and providing tutoring and other related activities in support of the literacy programs. A small amount of LSTA funding, complemented by local funds, supports training and communications costs that would not otherwise be covered.

San Diego Public Library: Reach Out and Read **\$7,600**

The library is working through pediatricians, medical clinics, and hospitals to encourage parents to read aloud to small children. This project enhances parents' role as their child's first teacher and nurtures their child's early literacy and language acquisition. It enables parents to prepare their children to start school, ready to read.

The **Public Library Staff Education Program**, a California program that complements the Federal provision for the 21st Century Librarian Initiative, provides tuition reimbursement for California public library staff and county law library staff to upgrade their skills by pursuing a Master's degree in library science. As the number of professionally-trained librarians dwindles, the program provides improved services immediately by upgrading the skills of currently-employed library staff members while making provision for the future. Staff members in local libraries benefiting from this program include:

Carlsbad City Library	\$6,386
San Diego County Public Law Library	\$1,419
San Diego County Public Library	\$21,995
San Diego Public Library	\$10,643

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Brawley Public Library: Services for Small Businesses	\$8,506
Camarena Memorial Public Library (Calexico): Services for Small Businesses	\$8,506
Imperial County Free Library: Services for Small Businesses	\$8,506

These libraries did excellent work with their grants last year to better serve small businesses, and the new grants support the continuation of their business subscription databases. The three libraries presented business seminars in Spanish and English, and the Imperial Valley Small Business Development Center is also continuing to provide speakers. The city of Brawley is applying to become an Enterprise Zone, and city officials were delighted with the assistance that the library provided them—the percentage of owners who reported that the library had directly benefited their small businesses tripled during the course of the first grant year. To allow people to obtain the one-on-one information they need without extensive travel, Imperial County Free Library also arranged for free Webcam appointments for business consultations with the Procurement Technical Assistance Center.

National City Public Library: Prime Time Family Reading Time **\$199,881**

Modeled after Louisiana Endowment for the Humanities project, this program centers around a six week series of reading and discussion programs at the public library that

brings low income and/or low literacy families together with their children, aged 6-10 years old.

Through the **Live Homework Help** program, students (grades 4-12 and introductory college level students) receive online access to expert tutors for 20-minute, one-on-one homework help sessions in the basic subjects of math, science, English, and social sciences. The service is available through public libraries from 1:00 to 10:00 each day, seven days a week. Tutoring in Spanish is also available in math and science from 3:00 – 7:00 five days a week. Participating libraries include all the branches of **Imperial County Library** – six of which are in your District: **Calipatria Branch Library, Heber Branch Library, Holtville Branch Library, Niland Branch Library, Ocotillo Branch Library, and Westmorland Branch Library**. Students may access these services remotely from their homes.

Camarena (Calexico) Memorial Library: AmeriCorps Initiative	\$4,282
National City Public Library: AmeriCorps Initiative	\$4,282
San Diego County Library: AmeriCorps Initiative	\$4,282
San Diego Public Library: AmeriCorps Initiative	\$4,282

The libraries are participating in a statewide Corporation for National and Community Service award that provides AmeriCorps members to assist them with their literacy programs. AmeriCorps members are successfully recruiting literacy volunteers and learners, developing and executing community “Days of Service” to expand awareness of literacy issues, and providing tutoring and other related activities in support of the literacy programs. A small amount of LSTA funding, complemented by local funds, supports training and communications costs that would not otherwise be covered.

San Diego Public Library: Youth Voices: Barrio Logan	\$136,367
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This project is teaming up teens from the San Diego Latino community of Barrio Logan with local media artists and librarians to research and produce a series of eight to ten minute videos that focus on issues pertinent to Barrio Logan such as public health, education, history, leadership, employment, and housing. Once completed, these videos will be aired publicly to strengthen this community’s cultural identity and to help participating teens learn how to use media technology to explore their community and become reconnected with it.

Chula Vista Public Library: Local History Digital Resources	\$14,185
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The library is digitizing the photographs that local historian John Rojas collected from 1888 onward. Photos slated for digitization include Chula Vista’s lemon industry, business and buildings from the 1900s, historic houses, community events from the 1930s, street scenes and parks, etc. This local history will now be widely accessible to the public through the Internet, where the University of California hosts the California Digital Library.

National City Public Library: Community Connections	\$40,412
Imperial County Free Library	

The libraries are providing a series of interactive English-Language videoconferences linking audiences in Plumas County Library, Imperial County Free Library - Heber Branch, and National City Public Library for educational and/or cultural programming.

San Diego Public Library: California Cultural Crossroads	\$7,500
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Under this initiative, public libraries are building community coalitions and partnerships to sponsor ethnic cultural programming for a specific underserved ethnic/cultural group in the local jurisdiction. Teams from each community – including San Diego - are receiving intensive training and guidance for the development of these plans, which will be implemented in 2006/07 with follow-up grants.

Chula Vista Public Library: Services for Small Businesses	\$8,506
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Under this grant, the business subscription databases begun during last year's program were continued. Last year the library created a new small business center, and the percentage of owners who reported that the library had directly benefited their small businesses quadrupled during the course of the grant period.

San Diego Public Library: Reach Out and Read	\$7,600
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The library is working through pediatricians, medical clinics, and hospitals to encourage parents to read aloud to small children. This project enhances parents' role as their child's first teacher and nurtures their child's early literacy and language acquisition. It enables parents to prepare their children to start school, ready to read.

Examples include museum programs, science center programs, virtual field trips, guided virtual tours of museums, and others. The targeted audience includes people who are illiterate, people who speak English as a second language, and the general public.

The **Public Library Staff Education Program**, a California program that complements the Federal provision for the 21st Century Librarian Initiative, provides tuition reimbursement for California public library staff and county law library staff to upgrade their skills by pursuing a Master's degree in library science. As the number of professionally-trained librarians dwindles, the program provides improved services immediately by upgrading the skills of currently-employed library staff members while making provision for the future. Staff members in local libraries benefiting from this program include:

Chula Vista Public Library	\$2,129
San Diego County Public Law Library	\$1,419
San Diego County Public Library	\$21,995

San Diego Public Library

\$10,643

In addition, **Brawley Public Library** received \$7,996 for staff to obtain enhanced management training; this involves a summer residency and online coursework throughout the year.

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San Diego Public Library: Youth Voices: Barrio Logan

\$136,367

This project is teaming up teens from the San Diego Latino community of Barrio Logan with local media artists and librarians to research and produce a series of eight to ten minute videos that focus on issues pertinent to Barrio Logan such as public health, education, history, leadership, employment, and housing. Once completed, these videos will be aired publicly to strengthen this community's cultural identity and to help participating teens learn how to use media technology to explore their community and become reconnected with it.

Indian tribes in California are using LSTA funds to support core library operations and ensure a minimum level of public library service. Tribes providing basic library services through the **Native American Library Services** program include the **Campo Band of Mission Indians (Campo)**, **Capitan Grande Band of Diegueno Mission Indians/Barona Group (Lakeside)**, and **Manzanita Band of Diegueno Mission Indians (Boulevard)**.

San Diego County Library: AmeriCorps Initiative

\$4,282

San Diego Public Library: AmeriCorps Initiative

\$4,282

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San Diego Public Library: Reach Out and Read

\$7,600

The library is working through pediatricians, medical clinics, and hospitals to encourage parents to read aloud to small children. This project enhances parents' role as their child's first teacher and nurtures their child's early literacy and language acquisition. It enables parents to prepare their children to start school, ready to read.

The **Public Library Staff Education Program**, a California program that complements the Federal provision for the 21st Century Librarian Initiative, provides tuition

reimbursement for California public library staff and county law library staff to upgrade their skills by pursuing a Master's degree in library science. As the number of professionally-trained librarians dwindles, the program provides improved services immediately by upgrading the skills of currently-employed library staff members while making provision for the future. Staff members in local libraries benefiting from this program include **San Diego County Library** (\$21,995), **San Diego County Public Law Library** (\$1,419), and **San Diego Public Library** (\$10,643).

San Diego Public Library: California Cultural Crossroads **\$7,500**

Under this initiative, public libraries are building community coalitions and partnerships to sponsor ethnic cultural programming for a specific underserved ethnic/cultural group in the local jurisdiction. Teams from each community – including San Diego - are receiving intensive training and guidance for the development of these plans, which will be implemented in 2006/07 with follow-up grants.

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San Diego Public Library: Youth Voices: Barrio Logan **\$136,367**

This project is teaming up teens from the San Diego Latino community of Barrio Logan with local media artists and librarians to research and produce a series of eight to ten minute videos that focus on issues pertinent to Barrio Logan such as public health, education, history, leadership, employment, and housing. Once completed, these videos will be aired publicly to strengthen this community's cultural identity and to help participating teens learn how to use media technology to explore their community and become reconnected with it.

San Diego Public Library: Reach Out and Read **\$7,600**

The library is working through pediatricians, medical clinics, and hospitals to encourage parents to read aloud to small children. This project enhances parents' role as their child's first teacher and nurtures their child's early literacy and language acquisition. It enables parents to prepare their children to start school, ready to read.

San Diego County Library: AmeriCorps Initiative **\$4,282**
San Diego Public Library: AmeriCorps Initiative **\$4,282**

The libraries are participating in a statewide Corporation for National and Community Service award that provides AmeriCorps members to assist them with their literacy programs. AmeriCorps members are successfully recruiting literacy volunteers and learners, developing and executing community "Days of Service" to expand awareness of literacy issues, and providing tutoring and other related activities in support of the literacy programs. A small amount of LSTA funding, complemented by local funds, supports training and communications costs that would not otherwise be covered.

The **Public Library Staff Education Program**, a California program that complements the Federal provision for the 21st Century Librarian Initiative, provides tuition reimbursement for California public library staff and county law library staff to upgrade their skills by pursuing a Master's degree in library science. As the number of professionally-trained librarians dwindles, the program provides improved services immediately by upgrading the skills of currently-employed library staff members while making provision for the future. Staff members in local libraries benefiting from this program include:

Coronado Public Library	\$2,881
San Diego County Public Law Library	\$1,419
San Diego County Public Library	\$21,995
San Diego Public Library	\$10,643

San Diego Public Library: California Cultural Crossroads	\$7,500
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Under this initiative, public libraries are building community coalitions and partnerships to sponsor ethnic cultural programming for a specific underserved ethnic/cultural group in the local jurisdiction. Teams from each community – including San Diego - are receiving intensive training and guidance for the development of these plans, which will be implemented in 2006/07 with follow-up grants.